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er Frank, acting Grand Master, who read from the Manual a chapter, explaining the origin and the causes that led to the purchasing of burial lots by the Order. Brother John Myers, Grand Chaplain, offered a touching and beautiful prayer, after which the following ode was sung by the Brethern:

Our Father from on high look down,
And sanctify Thine "Acre" here;
Bid guardian angels flock around,
And spirit-brethren, too, draw near!

Here may our unforgotten dead
Repose in sleep Thy love has given,
And mourning groups be comforted,
Submissive to the will of Heaven.

May nature's sighs, at Thy command,
Here spread the bloom of Hope and Love;
And evergreens, like Faith's own hand,
Point fond affection's eyes above—

Above the frequent darkling tears
That dim our mortal eyes on earth,
To where Thy promise-bow appears,
Bright presage of a higher-birth.

The Dedicatory ceremonies then closed by the Grand Deputy Grand Ma

NAMES OF ITINERANTS.

1 Albright, W. K.
2 Arnold, Geo. W.
3 Burns, L.
4 Beardshear, W. M.
5 Bushong, T. F.
6 Berger, D.
7 Bowers, E. W.
8 Bovey, J. W.
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10 Briggs, C.
11 Caylor, E. H.
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19 Huddle, S.
20 Hippard, S. M.
21 Holtzinger, J. D.
22 Howe, D. N.
23 Kemp, John.
24 Keister, S. W.
25 Kilbourn, J. W.
26 Landis, J. P.
27 McCorkle, S. W.
28 Mayne, Jos. H.
29 Miller, J. C.
30 Miller, C. W.
31 McKee, Wm.
32 Mowers, S. A.
33 Mulholland, H. J.
34 Mathews, Geo. M.
35 Pruner, W. J.
36 Rodabaugh, A.
37 Shank, H. K.
38 Shuey, W. J.
39 Swain, J. L.
40 Tobey, H.
41 Warvel, G. C.
42 Walter, John.

Roll of Members and Post-Office Addresses.

1	Albright, W. K.	Springborough	Warren County,	Ohio.
2	Arnold, Geo. W.	Dayton	Montgomery County,	"
3	Berger, D.	"	" "	"
4	Bushong, T. F.	"	" "	"
5	Billheimer, J. K.	"	" "	"
6	Bowers, E. W.	"	" "	"
7	Burkert, C. J	Germantown	" "	"
8	Bovey, J. W.	"	" "	"
9	Briggs, C	ElDorado	Preble County,	"
10	Burns, L.	Dunlap	Hamilton County,	"
11	Beardshear, W. M.	Toledo	Tama County,	Iowa.
12	Caylor, E. H.	New Paris	Preble County,	Ohio.
13	Coons, W. W.	Arcanum	Darke County,	"
14	Day, W. C.	Dayton	Montgomery County,	"
15	Flickinger, D. K.	"	" "	"
16	Flinchbaugh, C.	Cleves	Hamilton County,	"
17	Glenn, J. W.	Blanchester	Clinton County,	"
18	Garst, H.	Westerville	Franklin County,	"
19	Grigsby, F. G.	Cherry Grove	Hamilton County,	"
20	Gilbert, G. L.	Dayton	Montgomery County,	"
21	Gomer, Jos.	Shaingay	West Africa.	
22	Huddle, S.	Eaton	Preble County,	"
23	Houlton, W. R.	Upshur	" "	"
24	Hippard, S. M.	Westerville	Franklin County,	"
25	Holden, S. S.	West Milton	Miami County,	"
26	Howe, D. N.	New Paris	Preble County,	"
27	Holtzinger, J. D.	Dayton	Montgomery County,	"
28	Hoffman, H.	"	" "	"
29	Hott, I. T.	New Haven		Conn.
30	Izor, John W.	Blanchester	Clinton County,	Ohio.
31	Keister, S. W.	Lewisburg	Preble County,	"
32	Kilbourn, J. W	Arcanum	Darke County,	"
33	Kemp, John	Dayton	Montgomery County,	"
34	Landis, J. P.	"	" "	"
35	Lanthurn, W. H.	"	" "	"
36	Lorenz, E. S.	"	" "	"
37	Long, Jas.	New Madison	Darke County,	"
38	McKee, Wm.	Dayton	Montgomery County,	"
39	Mowers, S. A.	"	" "	"
40	Mathews, Geo. M.	"	" "	"
41	Mulholland, H. J.	"	" "	"
42	Miller, J. C.	Vandalia	" "	"
43	Myers, D.	Germantown	" "	"
44	McCorkle, S. W.	Lagonda	Clarke County,	"
45	Miller, C. W.	Westerville	Franklin County,	"
46	Mayne, Jos. H.	Trenton	Butler County,	"
47	Orebaugh, Jas. F.	Camden	Preble County,	"
48	Pruner, W. J	Union City	Randolph County,	Ind.
49	Pierce, Luke E.	Lagonda	Clarke County,	Ohio.
50	Rodabaugh, A.	Germantown	Montgomery County,	"
51	Swain, J. L	"	" "	"
52	Shuey, W. J.	Dayton	" "	"
53	Shuey, W. A.	New Haven		Conn.
54	Sechrist, H. A.	Greenville	Darke County,	Ohio.
55	Shank, H. K.	Arcanum	" "	"
56	Surface, H.	West Sonora	Preble County,	"
57	Tobey, H	Upshur	" "	"
58	Warvel, G. C.	Hamilton	Butler County,	"
59	Walter, John	Seven-Mile	" "	"
60	Wilberforce, D. F	Shaingay	West Africa.	
61	Wells, W. G.	Dayton	Montgomery County,	Ohio.
62	Willson, Lucius	Dayton	" "	"
63	Zehring, A.	Johnsville	" "	"

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

	Names.	When Received	Where Received.	How Received.
1	Albright, Wm. K	1870	New Haven	Miami.
2	Arnold, Geo. W	1878	Cherry Grove	"
3	Berger, D	1854	Brown's Run Chapel	"
4	Bushong, T. F	1865	West Sonora	Trans. from Virginia Conf.
5	Billheimer, J. K	1859	Liberty	Miami.
6	Bowers, E. W	1876	Vandalia	"
7	Burkert, C. J	1865	West Sonora	Trans. from White River Conf.
8	Bovey, J. W	1875	Miltonville	Miami.
9	Briggs, C	1873	Arcanum	Trans. from Sandusky Conf.
10	Burns, L	1866	Germantown	Miami.
11	Beardshear, W. M	1876	Vandalia	"
12	Caylor, E. H	1865	West Sonora	"
13	Coons, W. M	1846	Otterbein Chapel	Trans. from Scioto Conf.
14	Day, W. C	1883	Lagonda	Trans. from White River Conf.
15	Flickinger, D. K	1850	Seven-Mile	Miami.
16	Flinchbaugh, C	1831	Germantown	"
17	Glenn, J. W	1856	Cincinnati	"
18	Garst, H	1860	Beavertown	"
19	Grigsby, F. G	1872	Pleasant Ridge Chapel	"
20	Gilbert, G. L	1850	Seven Mile	"
21	Gorner, Joseph	1876	Vandalia	"
22	Huddle, S	1876	"	By letter from U. B. in Christ.
23	Houlton, W. R	1879	Beavertown	Miami.
24	Hippard, S. M	1866	Germantown	"
25	Holden, S. S	1870	New Haven	"
26	Howe, D. N	1881	Union City	Trans. from Auglaize Conf.
27	Holtzinger, J. D	1853	Miami Chapel	Miami.
28	Hoffman, H	1836	Indian Creek Chapel	"
29	Hott, I. T	1882	Dayton	Trans. from Virginia Conf.
30	Izor, John W	1883	Lagonda	Miami.
31	Keister, S. W	1876	Vandalia	"
32	Kemp, John	1850	Seven-Mile	"
33	Kilbourn, John W	1876	Vandalia	"
34	Landis, J. P	1870	New Haven	"
35	Lanthurn, W. H	1856	Cincinnati	"
36	Lorenz, E. S	1877	Springborough	"
37	Long, James	1858	Lewisburg	Trans. from White River Conf.
38	McKee, Wm	1868	Pyrmont	Trans. from Auglaize Conf.
39	Mowers, S. A	1882	Dayton	Trans. from Pennsylvania Conf.
40	Mathews, Geo. M	1879	Beavertown	Miami.
41	Mulholland, H. J	1882	Dayton	Trans. from Auglaize Conf.
42	Miller, J. C	1860	Beavertown	Miami.
43	Miller, C. W	1864	Union Chapel	Trans. from Auglaize Conf.
44	Myers, D	1874	Otterbein Chapel	Trans. from St. Joseph Conf.
45	McCorkle, S. W	1878	Cherry Grove	Trans. from W. Reserve Conf.
46	Mayne, Jos. H	1878	" "	Miami.
47	Orebaugh, Jas. F	1881	Union City	"
48	Pruner, W. J	1881	" "	Trans. from White River Conf.
49	Pierce, Luke E	1883	Lagonda	Miami.
50	Rodabaugh, A	1879	Beavertown	"
51	Swain, J. L	1864	Union Chapel	"
52	Shuey, W. J	1848	Farmersville	"
53	Shuey, W. A	1881	Union City	"
54	Sechrist, H. A	1882	Dayton	"
55	Shank, H. K	1879	Beavertown	Rec'd from Brethren in Christ.
56	Surface, H	1841	Lewisburg	Miami.
57	Tobey, H	1851	New Hope	"
58	Warvel, G. C	1848	Farmersville	"
59	Walter, John	1875	Miltonville	"
60	Wilberforce, D. K	1878	Cherry Grove	"
61	Wells, W. G	1850	Seven-Mile	"
62	Willson, Lucius	1883	Lagonda	"
63	Zehring, A	1861	Miami Chapel	"

HISTORICAL CHART.

No. of Session	Time of Session.	Place where Held.	Bishop.	Chairman.	Secretaries.
1	August, 1810...	Michael Crider's, Ross Co., O	.....	Newcomer.....	
2	August, 1811...	New Lancaster, Fairfield Co.....	.....	"	
3	August, 1812...	Andrew Zeller's, Montgomery Co.	.....	"	
4	August, 1813...	Peter Sites', Fairfield Co.....	.....	.....	William P. Smith.
5	August, 1814...	Andrew Zeller's.....	Newcomer.....	.....	" "
6	June, 1815...	Jacob Mecklin, Fairfield Co.....	"	.....	
7	June, 1816...	Andrew Zeller's.....	"	Abr'm Heistand.....	John G. Pfrimmer and William P. Smith.
8	June, 1817...	Sister Cramer's, Fairfield Co.....	"	Jno. G. Pfrimmer...	Henry Ewinger and Conrad Roth.
9	June, 1818...	John Henry Fry's, Warren Co.....	"	Andrew Zellers.....	John G. Pfrimmer and John McNamar.
10	June, 1819...	Frederick Pontius'.....	"	" "	" " "
11	June, 1820...	H. Kumler's, Sen.....	"	" "	" " "
12	May, 1821...	Adelphia	"	" "	" " "
13	May, 1822...	Andrew Zeller's	"	Joseph Hoffman.....	H. Kumler, Sen., and Samuel Heistand.
14	August, 1823...	Charlestown, Ind.....	"	" "	Samuel Heistand and Leonard Jones.
15	June, 1824...	Abraham Bookwalter's, Ross Co.	"	" "	Leonard Jones and Adam Besser.
16	August, 1825...	Miltonville	H. Kumler, Sen.....	" "	Samuel Heistand and Alfred Carder.
17	June, 1826...	Clear Creek Chapel, Warren Co..	Newcomer.....	Jno. G. Pfrimmer...	J. T. Stewart and L. Bottenberg.
18	May, 1827...	Corydon, Ind.....	"	H. Kumler, Sen.....	J. T. Stewart and F. Smith.
19	May, 1828...	Miltonville	"	" "	James T. Stewart.
20	May, 1829...	Jacob Garst's, near Germantown	"	" "	Craven Lynn and John Henry Fry.
21	May, 1830...	Clear Creek Chapel, Warren Co..	.....	" "	David Keger and Frederick Smith.
22	May, 1831...	Germantown.....	.....	.....	No minules recorded.
23	May, 1832...	Miltonville	H. Kumler, Sen.....	Joseph Hoffman.....	Frederick Smith and Martin Boehm.
24	May, 1233...	Germantown.....	" "	" "	M. Bottenberg and Martin Boehm.
25	May, 1834...	Bonebrake's Church, Preble Co..	" "	Wm. Brown.....	" " "
26	May, 1835...	Germantown.....	" "	John McNamar.....	Martin Boehm.
27	May, 1836...	Indian Creek Chapel, Butler Co..	" "	Andrew Zellers.....	Simon Geeting and Daniel Kumler.
28	May, 1837...	Miltonville	.....	Joseph Hoffman.....	M. Bottenberg and Henry Kumler, Jr.
29	May, 1838...	Bonebrake's Church, Preble Co..	Samuel Heistand...	H. Kumler, Sen.....	Martin Boehm.
			H. Kumler, Sen.....	Joseph Hoffman.....	Isaac Robertson.

30	May,	1839...	Germantown.....	H. Kumler, Sen.....	Joseph Hoffman.....	Wm. Collins and John H. Fry.
31	April,	1840...	Indian Creek Chapel, Butler Co..	" "	" "	William Collins.
32	May,	1841...	Lewisburg.....	" "	H. Kumler, Jr.....	" "
33	May,	1842...	Liberty.....	H. Kumler, Jr.....	" "	William R. Rhinehart.
34	April,	1843...	Germantown.....	John Coons.....	H. Kumler, Sen.....	" "
35	April,	1844...	Lewisburg.....	H. Kumler, Jr.....	" "	" "
36	March,	1845...	Clear Creek Chapel, Warren Co..	Wm. Hanby.....	Joseph Hoffman.....	" "
37	March,	1846...	Otterbein Chapel, Darke Co.....	John Russell.....	H. Kumler, Sen.....	Asa Coho.
38	Jan.,	1847...	Lewisburg.....	Glossbrenner	" "	George Geeting.
39	Sept.,	1848...	Farmersville.....	"	" "	Wm. R. Rhinehart and L. S. Grove.
40	Sept.,	1849...	.....	.....	.....	Minutes not recorded.
41	Oct.,	1850...	Seven-Mile	Glossbrenner	H. Kumler, Sen.....	Wm. R. Rhinehart and W. J. Shuey.
42	Sept.,	1851...	New Hope.....	Jacob Erb	Joseph Hoffman.....	" " " "
43	Sept.,	1852...	Pleasant Ridge Chapel	Glossbrenner	John Coons.....	Wm. R. Rhinehart and Joseph Weikard.
44	August,	1853...	Miami Chapel.....	Edwards.....	" "	W. J. Shuey and Wm. R. Rhinehart.
45	Sept.,	1854...	Brown's Run Chapel.....	"	" "	W. J. Shuey and Joseph Weikard.
46	Sept.,	1855...	Seven-Mile	"	" "	John Kemp, Jr.
47	Sept.,	1856...	Cincinnati	Glossbrenner	H. Kumler, Jr.....	William J. Shuey.
48	Sept.,	1857...	Millville	Edwards.....	John Coons.....	J. D. Holtzinger.
49	Sept.,	1858...	Lewisburg.....	"	H. Kumler, Jr.....	W. J. Shuey and W. H. Lanthurn.
50	Sept.,	1859...	Liberty.....	"	" "	W. J. Shuey and J. D. Holtzinger.
51	August,	1860...	Beavertown.....	"	Glossbrenner	W. J. Shuey and W. H. Lanthurn.
52	August,	1861...	Miami Chapel.....	"	John Coons.....	H. Garst and W. H. Lanthurn.
53	August,	1862...	Germantown	"	" "	H. Garst and D. Berger.
54	August,	1863...	Miltonville	"	" "	J. M. Marshall and W. J. Shuey.
55	August,	1864...	Union Chapel.....	"	John Walter.....	J. M. Marshall and B. W. Day.
56	Sept.,	1865...	West Sonora.....	"	H. Kumler	J. M. Marshall and J. D. Holtzinger.
57	August,	1866...	Germantown	"	E. W. Hoffman.....	B. W. Day and J. D. Holtzinger.
58	August,	1867...	New Hope.....	"	" "	P. H. Davis.
59	August,	1868...	Pyrmont.....	"	" "	P. H. Davis and C. J. Burkert.
60	August,	1869...	Dayton	Glossbrenner	" "	C. J. Burkert and P. H. Davis.
61	August,	1870...	New Haven.....	"	W. J. Shuey.....	Wm. Dillon and C. J. Burkert.
62	August,	1871...	Pleasant Hill.....	"	Wm. McKee.....	C. J. Burkert and Wm. Dillon.
63	August,	1872...	Pleasant Ridge.....	"	W. J. Shuey.....	" " "
64	August,	1873...	Arcanum	Weaver.....	Wm. McKee.....	S. M. Hippard and C. J. Burkert.
65	August,	1874...	Otterbein Chapel.....	"	" "	C. J. Burkert and S. M. Hippard.
66	August,	1875...	Miltonville	"	G. L. Gilbert.....	" " "
67	August,	1876...	Vandalia.....	"	.....	" " "
68	August,	1877...	Springborough	Dickson.....	.....	C. J. Burkert.
69	August,	1878...	Cherry Grove.....	"	.....	" "
70	August,	1879...	Beavertown.....	"	.....	" "
71	August,	1880...	Germantown	"	.....	" "
72	August,	1881-.	Union City.....	Glossbrenner	.....	" "
73	August,	1882...	Dayton.....	"	W. J. Shuey.....	" "
74	August,	1883...	Lagonda.....	"	" "	" "

IN MEMORIAM.

The following list includes all the deceased members of Miami Annual Conference of whom mention is made in conference minutes. It is greatly to be regretted that greater care has not been observed in the preparation of the memoirs. In many cases the mere FACT of death is ONLY recorded.

Deceased Members Miami Annual Conference—1810-1883.

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Cherished Names.	Died Year of
WILLIAM P. SMITH	1816
FREDERICK CLINGER	1823
ABRAHAM PONSLER	1824
JOHN GEORGE PFRIMMER	1826
JOHN HARVEY	1828
THOMAS HAINES	1828
JACOB MAHAN	1829
ARCHIBALD E. MICHAEL	1829
PHILLIP SAUR	1832
MICHAEL COWER	1839
GEORGE HOFFMAN	1839
ROBERT DUNCAN	1839
Ex-Bishop ANDREW ZELLER	1839
JOSEPH H. FRY	1841
WILLIAM AGBORH	1841
PETER BONEBRAKE	1843

Cherished Names.	Died Year of
JACOB FLICKINGER	1844
CHRISTIAN SHEARER	1844
ISAAC V. D. ROBERTSON	1846
DAVID KISER	1848
ROBERT A. WHEAT	1850
WILLIAM R. LEWIS	1850
JACOB KEMP, Sen.	1851
Ex-Bishop HENRY KUMLER, Sen.	1854
MARTIN BEAM	1855
DANIEL BONEBRAKE	1856
Ex-Bishop JOSEPH HOFFMAN	1857
CURTIS EDWARDS	1858
JOHN ZELLER	1858
JOHN ALLEN	1859
WILLIAM R. RHINEHART	1861
JACOB ANTRIM	1861
JACOB SURFACE	1861
DANIEL MOYER	1863
SWAIN CORSON	1863
THOMAS SHAIN	1863
DANIEL N. FLEMING	1863
JAMES M. MARSHALL	1866
JACOB G. KING	1867
Ex-Bishop JOHN COONS	1869
JOHN COLEMAN	1871
ELIAS W. HOFFMAN	1873
DANIEL ANTRIM	1873
C. SHOOP	1873
CONRAD BONEBRAKE	1874
JOHN L. HOFFMAN	1875
SIMON GEETING	1875

Cherished Names.	Died Year of
STEPHEN M. HEARN	1877
WILLIAM NICHOLAS	1878
JACOB KING	1878
JAMES FLEENOR	1879
ADAM HETZLER	1880
JOHN SLIFE	1880
WILLIAM K. McCABE	1881
FRANK M. FOWLER	1881
Ex-Bishop HENRY KUMLER, Jr.	1882
DANIEL C. KUMLER	1882

"There is no death! What seems so is transition;
This life of mortal breath
Is but a suburb of the life Elysian
Whose portals we call death."

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

The conference journal has been carefully examined, and all standing resolutions of special use are incorporated with the regulations on lay delegation in the minutes of 1883.

Conference of 1875, Miltonville session:

Resolved, That the missionary money appropriated to the different missions in this conference be paid quarterly, and that no part of it be paid except by order of the presiding elder; and if in the judgment of the quarterly conference the missionary fails to faithfully perform his work it shall be in the power of the next conference, upon the recommendation of the presiding elder, to withhold any part of the amount appropriated by this conference.

Conference of 1876, Vandalia session:

Resolved, That the missionary funds reported upon the chart be divided as per order of General Conference, and that all special donations thus reported shall go to make up the amount due the society to which said donations are given.

Conference of 1877, Springborough session:

Resolved, That as a conference we will not in the future consent to the licensing or ordination of any ministers who are addicted to the use of tobacco in any form, except upon their solemn assurance to *speedily* or *forever* abstain from its use.

Conference of 1880, Germantown session:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the conference that hereafter the word "dropped" be applied only to persons who sustain the relation of seekers to the church, and cease to be such in fact, or such as are mentioned in chapter V, section 1, and clause 3 of Discipline.

Session of 1882, Dayton session:

Resolved, That the examination on reading shall hereafter be conducted in writing.

Conference action on lay delegation. Session of 1878 and 1880.

In the Discipline, Section 6, page 36, is the *provision* made for lay representation in the annual conference.

First. Any annual conference may receive into its body one layman from every charge in its bounds whenever two thirds of its members shall, in a regular annual session, decide so to do, notice of such vote to be given twenty-four hours before the time.

Second. When an annual conference has adopted lay representation, it shall provide for the appointment of such lay representatives by such methods as in its wisdom it may deem best.

Third. The laymen thus chosen shall have all the privileges and rights of ministers in the annual conference, except the right to vote for the reception or expulsion of preachers, the passing of preachers in the course of reading, and the right to vote for presiding elders.

Resolved, By the Miami Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, in conference assembled, that we accept and adopt the plan of lay delegation at the annual conferences as enacted by the General Conference, as found on page thirty-seven of the Discipline.

The following rules should be observed in the appointments of such lay representatives:

1. It shall be the duty of the members in good standing in our church, on each field of labor throughout the conference district, to elect, *by ballot*, one lay member to represent such charge in the annual conference; the elections to be held (*by each class on the same day*) at least *one month* before the meeting of the annual conference in each year.

2. It shall be the duty of the preacher in charge, in connection with the class-leaders of each organized church on his charge, to appoint the time and place of meeting for each class on the work, for the purpose of casting the votes of the membership for lay delegate.

3. The class-leaders and stewards in each class shall constitute a board of tellers to receive and count the vote given for delegates in their respective classes, and to prepare and transmit an abstract of the number of votes cast for each person voted for, to the secretary of the quarterly conference of the charge; provided, however, that if two or more brethren should receive the same number of votes, the tellers should determine by casting lots which one shall be considered the delegate; provided further, that should it so happen that no leader or steward is in attendance at the place appointed for an election, then the members who are present shall appoint two of their number as tellers, and their official acts shall be valid.

4. The secretary of the quarterly conference and the leaders of the whole charge shall hold a joint meeting, to be called by such secretary, and canvas all the votes cast on the entire work for delegates to the annual conference; and the person receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. Said secretary shall issue to the delegate thus elected a certificate of his election, which certificate shall be presented to the annual conference, and shall entitle such person to a seat in that body; provided, however, that if the person so elected be unable by reason of sickness or otherwise, to attend the conference, then the secretary shall issue a certificate to the person receiving the next highest number of votes, and he shall be entitled to a seat in the conference as a delegate from said charge; provided, further, should it so occur that the secretary of the quarterly conference should be elected said delegate, then the preacher, or one of the class-leaders, shall sign said certificate of election.

5. No person shall be eligible to an election as a lay delegate to the annual conference who has not attained the age of twenty-one years, been a member in good standing in the United Brethren Church for two years, and of the charge to be represented one year next preceding the election.

6. Should any members be incapacitated by age or affliction to attend the meetings appointed for the election of lay delegates they may send their ballots containing the name of their choice, and their own names signed on the back of their ballots; provided, no votes shall be counted except those actually cast at the appointed meeting.

Field of Labor.	Name of Preacher.	Appointments	Organized Churches.	No. of Itinerants	Members at beginning of year	Received—Full membership	Received—Seekers
Dayton District	J. W. Kilbourn, P. E.						
Dayton First Church	S. A. Mowers	1	1	5	545	36	
" High Street	Geo. M. Mathews	1	1	1	35	74	1
" Third Church	G. L. Gilbert	1	1	3	46	2	
" Summit Street	W. C. Day	1	1	4	187	51	5
Beavertown	T. F. Bushong	3	3	1	152	26	
Vandalia	Wm. McKee	4	3	2	338	17	
Lagonda	S. W. McCorkle	1	1	1	216	24	
Piqua	M. S. Bovey	1	1		59	22	
Salem	J. C. Miller	4	4	1	453	22	
Eldorado	C. Briggs	4	4	1	302	22	
Arcanum	F. G. Grigsby	1	1	3	191	12	
West Milton	S. S. Holden	2	2	1	42	7	
Ithica	J. D. Holtzinger	4	4	1	304	17	
Mt. Zion	W. K. Albright	5	4	1	279	11	
Union City	S. W. Keister	1	1	1	145	65	1
Oakland	John W. Izor	3	3		66	54	1
		37	35	26	3360	462	8
Cincinnati Dist.	W. J. Pruner, P. E.						
Lewisburg	I. T. Hott	4	4	1	403	25	
Liberty	C. J. Burkert	4	4	1	308	22	2
Germantown	J. L. Swain	2	2	2	326	2	
Miamisburg	Geo. W. Arnold	1	1		69	15	1
Miami Chapel	E. W. Bowers	1	1	1	132	5	
Freeport	A. Orndorf	4	4		175	19	
Springborough	S. Huddle	2	2	1	136	25	
Miltonville	Jos. H. Mayne	4	4		168	22	
West Elkton	A. Rodabaugh	4	4		136	54	
New Hope	L. Pierce	5	5	1	313	4	
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bovey	6	6	1	258	29	2
Millville	G. C. Warvel	3	3	1	128	1	
New Haven	Daniel Miller	3	3		141	31	1
Mt. Pleasant	L. Burns	5	5	1	210	7	
Cherry Grove	H. F. Mulholland	4	4	1	340	15	4
Blanchester	W. R. Houlton	4	4	2	241	152	10
		56	56	13	3484	428	21
Dayton District		37	35	26	3360	462	8
Grand Total		93	91	39	6844	890	29

Died.....	Removal, expelled, drop'd & withdr'n...	Members at end of year.....	Increase.....	Decrease.....	Local Preachers.....	Preacher's Salary.....	P. Elder's Salary.....	Value of Presents...	Preacher's Aid.....	Collected for Mis'ns.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	30	547	2	.....	1	$1,500 00	$80 00	$75 00	$25 00	$300 00
1	4	105	70	.....	1	400 00	28 00	93 25	3 00	30 00
1	2	45	.....	1	.....	206 43	20 15	.....	1 00	24 14
1	7	230	43	.....	5	760 00	52 00	33 00	8 40	100 00
5	28	145	.....	7	.....	590 00	42 82	125 00	12 00	80 00
4	26	325	.....	13	.....	650 00	65 00	32 00	18 00	140 00
3	6	219	3	.....	.....	700 00	52 00	75 00	8 00	70 00
.....	16	65	6	.....	.....	104 03	24 75	33 50	2 00	18 01
5	51	421	.....	32	1	645 00	60 00	10 00	20 00	138 68
2	13	309	7	.....	.....	611 65	68 07	121 30	25 00	155 80
1	35	167	.....	24	1	500 00	52 00	50 00	8 00	70 00
.....	.....	49	7	.....	.....	115 00	30 24	.....	1 50	14 60
5	7	309	5	.....	1	425 35	50 00	5 00	10 00	71 00
3	26	261	.....	18	1	401 75	52 00	55 00	4 00	36 85
3	35	173	28	.....	.....	382 88	47 06	80 35	9 10	106 80
1	10	108	43	.....	.....	192 00	28 82	66 50	2 00	25 00
39	296	3478	214	95	11	$8,224 09	$750 98	$854 90	$157 70	$1,380 88
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	22	399	.....	4	.....	435 00	53 48	3 00	16 00	75 65
6	23	303	.....	5	1	600 00	58 51	55 00	14 05	136 85
3	42	283	.....	43	1	685 00	65 00	63 00	16 00	132 40
.....	5	74	10	.....	.....	300 00	25 00	152 00	2 00	25 00
2	5	130	.....	2	1	600 00	44 00	40 00	1 00	76 50
4	6	134	13	.....	.....	274 15	42 00	27 00	2 00	20 00
2	6	153	17	.....	.....	401 50	50 00	25 00	2 00	23 01
5	5	180	12	.....	.....	500 00	62 10	150 00	14 00	120 00
4	11	175	39	.....	.....	377 30	49 15	55 00	8 00	70 00
1	48	264	.....	49	1	296 00	44 00	.....	2 00	40 20
1	33	255	.....	3	2	503 75	47 30	18 00	5 00	55 25
2	2	125	.....	3	.....	81 00	35 85	.....	.....	26 55
5	15	155	14	.....	.....	511 25	50 00	91 06	8 00	72 50
1	4	212	2	.....	1	277 28	46 55	7 00	6 50	54 60
2	13	344	4	.....	.....	600 00	56 00	80 00	13 00	120 00
2	45	346	105	.....	.....	288 00	48 00	110 00	6 00	35 08
47	284	3532	216	109	7	8,730 23	776 94	868 05	115 55	1,083 58
39	296	3478	214	95	11	46,224 09	750 98	854 90	157 70	1,380 88
86	580	7010	430	.....	18	$14,954 32	$1,527 92	$1722 96	$273 25	$2,464 46

Field of Labor.	Special to Missions...	Woman's Missions.	Bishop's Collection...	Church Expenses.....	Sunday-school General Fund.....	Sunday-schools for Missions.....
Dayton District...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dayton First Church..	$710 00	$229 72	$20 00	$845 45	$15 00	80 20
" High Street...	20 00	.....	3 00	1,325 00	2 00	.....
" Third Church	.....	.....	2 00	30 00	.....	13 89
" Summit St.....	68 00	98 28	10 00	1,743 44	13 45	100 00
Beavertown	23 94	.....	12 00	202 14	6 30	26 31
Vandalia	82 00	36 27	14 00	256 28	10 00	10 02
Lagonda.....	28 01	45 00	6 00	5,287 66	5 00	25 00
Piqua.....	8 68	.....	2 00	51 90	1 00	7 11
Salem	81 00	54 78	14 00	352 08	10 00	23 71
Eldorado.....	95 00	8 60	16 00	200 00	10 00	.....
Arcanum.....	48 00	.....	6 00	75 00	5 00	11 80
West Milton.....	10 00	.....	3 00	75 00	1 00	..... .
Ithica.....	22 66	.....	11 00	1,836 00	7 00	.....
Mt. Zion	27 55	.....	10 00	125 00	2 00	.....
Union City.....	40 00	56 65	5 75	470 10	5 35	34 15
Oakland.....	14 50	1 00	3 00	1,201 00	2 00	2 00
	$1289 34	$530 30	$137 75	$13,188 39	$95 10	$334 19
Cincinnati Dist.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewisburg.....	.....	.....	12 00	300 00	2 00	10 90
Liberty	76 00	3 00	14 00	350 00	10 00	26 96
Germantown.....	92 00	63 65	14 00	185 00	10 00	9 92
Miamisburg	8 00	.....	3 00	778 86	.....	7 50
Miami Chapel.....	26 00	12 00	8 00	336 17	6 00	10 00
Freeport.....	10 00	.....	3 00	65 00	50	.....
Springboro,.....	24 00	.....	7 00	90 00	2 00	.....
Miltonville	12 45	114 00	14 00	165 00	11 63	.....
West Elkton.....	10 00	.....	10 00	405 00	4 00	.....
New Hope.....	14 00	.....	3 25	.....	2 00	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	24 55	....	6 76	115 00	2 00	.....
Millville.....	.....	.....	2 00	80 00	4 00	.....
New Haven.....	30 00	24 25	10 00	1,175 00	2 00	6 75
Mt. Pleasant.....	19 40	.....	8 00	592 92	3 60	.....
Cherry Grove.....	45 00	.....	12 00	300 00	8 00	.....
Blanchester.....	10 00	.....	6 00	1,668 00	4 00	.....
	401 40	216 90	123 01	9,645 95	71 73	72 04
Dayton District.....	1,289 34	530 30	137 75	13,188 39	95 10	334 19
Grand total.....	$1690 74	$747 20	$260 76	$22,834 34	$166 83	$406 23

Local Sunday-school Collection	For Colleges and Semenaries	Church Erection	Bible Cause	Educational Beneficiary Fund	Telescopes	Children's Friends	Missionary Visitors	Lessons for the Little Ones	Bible Teachers	Quarterly and Lesson Leaves	Botschafter	Youth's Pilger	Time employed
$537 91	$2495 00	$15 00	$12 00	$20 00	70	275	275	100	42	350	...	...	12
140 00	.....	1 00	.....	3 00	9	150	150	100	20	175	...	...	12
15 00	1 00	25	50	50	.....	.....	60	15	.....	60	...	...	11
77 57	63 00	8 00	4 00	13 30	27	100	100	60	12	100	...	...	11
93 48	.....	5 28	5 00	9 00	12	75	75	69	24	170	1	...	12
183 22	1025 00	10 00	.....	12 00	18	170	140	80	18	185	...	...	12
102 88	300 00	5 00	.....	8 00	6	100	.....	.....	24	275	...	...	12
22 24	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	3	30	30	20	2	30	1	...	12
189 00	662 00	10 00	10 00	14 00	55	190	195	101	14	350	...	...	12
144 50	50 00	12 61	.....	15 00	43	237	90	63	12	350	...	...	12
75 00	.....	5 00	.....	8 00	20	70	.....	50	3	100	...	...	12
25 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	25	.....	75	...	...	12
70 00	.....	7 00	.....	5 53	12	20	.....	40	2	100	...	...	12
45 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	14	70	70	24	1	85	...	...	12
146 40	57 00	5 45	10 20	5 75	14	140	140	50	19	210	...	...	12
15 00	.....	2 00	50	2 00	19	75	75	40	15	150	...	...	12
$1883 20	$4653 00	$88 59	$42 20	120 08	326	1702	1400	837	208	2765	2	...	190
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....
$175 00	....	3 80	.....	3 60	22	200	175	100	30	350	1	...	12
144 33	56 00	10 00	5 59	8 00	27	210	60	115	21	235	2	...	12
208 00	1214 00	10 00	.....	8 00	40	165	165	.....	21	210	...	...	12
86 70	.....	1 00	2 10	2 00	8	60	60	30	11	100	1	2	12
170 88	43 00	4 00	.....	4 00	16	100	100	45	16	115	...	...	12
40 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	12	115	.....	36	8	142	...	...	7½
50 88	....	.....	1 00	.....	9	60	60	25	5	170	...	...	12
107 00	70 00	5 25	5 00	5 00	30	115	55	32	8	170	...	...	12
80 00	.....	4 00	.....	3 00	13	120	80	25	18	235	1	...	12
.....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	19	30	.....	30	.....	117	...	...	9
65 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	17	75	.....	50	12	150	...	...	12
15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	30	30	.....	.....	90	...	...	6
85 78	.....	2 00	.....	5 00	17	.....	50	10	7	37	1	...	12
86 50	106 00	.....	.....	3 10	11	90	.....	40	5	120	1	...	9
140 00	.....	10 00	.....	8 00	14	150	150	40	.....	220	1	...	12
51 00	.....	5 00	.....	4 08	17	30	.....	25	2	75	...	..	12
1506 07	1489 00	58 05	13 69	59 78	279	1550	985	603	164	2535	8	2	175½
1883 20	4653 00	88 59	42 20	120 08	326	1702	1400	837	208	2765	2	...	365½
$3389 27	$6142 00	$146 64	$55 89	179 86	605	3252	2385	1440	372	5300	10	2	536½

Field of Labor.	Conversions in Sunday-schools.	No. Meeting-houses.	Value of Meeting-houses.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	No. Sunday-schools.	No. Children in Sunday-school.	Teachers & Officers.	Totals.
Dayton District...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dayton First Church.	10	1	$40,000	...	.....	1	529	48	$6,961 36
" High St.....	30	1	5,000	...	.....	1	301	26	1,395 82
" Third Church	.....	1	4,000	1	$600	1	84	10	314 86
" Summit St....	17	1	15,000	...	.....	1	180	24	3,191 94
Beavertown.....	12	3	6,900	1	300	3	199	39	1,226 91
Vandalia.....	.....	3	10,000	...	.....	4	335	55	2,518 79
Lagonda.....	.....	1	9,000	1	1,700	1	300	33	6,697 55
Piqua.....	8	1	2,000	...	.....	1	65	7	270 11
Salem	11	3	11,500	...	.....	4	499	60	2,304 25
Eldorado	15	4	9,300	...	.....	4	377	56	1,438 53
Arcanum	.....	1	3,500	...	.....	4	150	20	913 80
West Milton.....	.....	1	1,500	...	.....	½	50	5	287 00
Ithica.....	.....	4	5,000	...	.....	4	400	45	2,466 54
Mt. Zion.....	5	4½	7,500	...	.....	4	275	45	786 70
Union City.....	26	1	2,800	...	.....	1	245	32	1,463 69
Oakland.....	31	3	2,900	...	.....	3	175	35	1,468 50
	165	33⅓	135,700	3	2,600	34½	4,164	540	33,741 43
Cincinnati Dist.....									
Lewisburg.....		4	1,300	1	1,700	3	400	60	1,288 43
Liberty	2	4	7,000	...	.....	4	322	48	1,431 41
Germantown		2	11,000	...	.....	2	275	38	2,766 05
Miamisburg	4	1	4,500	...	.....	1	96	16	3,385 66
Miami Chapel.....		1	4,850	1	1,500	1	160	20	2,429 45
Freeport.....		4	6,500	...	.....	3	160	32	493 90
Springborough.....	15	1	4,000	...	.....	2	175	24	756 38
Miltonville	8	4	10,000	2	400	3½	185	25	1,202 05
West Elkton.....		2½	3,500	...	.....	4	295	46	1,075 45
New Hope.....		3	4,000	...	.....	2	85	25	405 25
Pleasant Hill.....		2	2,000	...	.....	4	180	27	820 46
Millville.....		3	4,000	...	.....	3	110	12	244 40
New Haven.....	15	3	6,000	...	....	3	250	42	1,903 34
Mt. Pleasant.....	5	5	8,500	1	800	4	200	36	1,205 50
Cherry Grove.....	25	3	2,000	1	600	4	300	48	1,393 00
Blanchester.....	25	3	4,700	...	.....	6	360	49	3,376 00
	94	42½	98,150	5	5,000	49½	3,553	544	23,176 73
Dayton District.....	165	33⅓	135,900	3	2,600	34½	4,164	540	33,741 43
Grand total.....	250	78¾	$234,450	8	$7,600	84	7,717	1084	$52,918 16

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

LAGONDA, OHIO, Aug. 22, 1883.

Miami Conference of the church of the United Brethren in Christ convened in annual session for the seventy-fourth time, in the United Brethren Church at Lagonda, Clark County, Ohio, at 2:00 P. M., August 22, 1883.

Bishop Glossbrenner called the conference to order, and conducted the religious service; reading second chapter of I. Thess., and announcing hymn 561, "Hymns of Sanctuary,"

"My Precious Lord, for thy dear name,"

after which he led in prayer.

After some opening remarks by the bishop, relative to his health and the work now before us, conference proceeded to business.

The secretary of the last session then called the roll of the conference.

Certificates of lay delegates were called for, and their names entered on the conference roll.

Rev. W. J. Shuey was elected chairman.

Rev. C. J. Burkert was elected conference secretary.

It was ordered that the religious services of the conference begin at 8:00 A. M. and the regular business at 8:30 A. M., and 2:00 P. M., and adjourn on motion.

The bar of the conference was located so as to include the first four rows of pews in the conference room.

The following brethren were announced by the bishop as receivers of conference moneys: Wm. McKee, Missions; W. J. Shuey, Preachers Aid; Wm. McKee, Educational Aid; Wm. McKee, Church-Erection; W. J. Shuey, General Sunday-school fund; W. A. Shuey, Bishop's Collection.

Rev. W. C. Day was received on his transfer from White River Annual Conference.

Master Irwin Lawrence was selected as conference page.

Committee on Devotion.—Rev. J. W. Kilbourn, S. W. McCorkle, Henry C. Laybourn.

The examination of character was begun, and reports of itinerants received and entered on the conference chart.

Rev. J. W. Kilbourn, presiding elder of Dayton District, read his report and his character was passed.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDING ELDER OF DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dear Brethren of Miami Conference:

With gratitude to God for his abundant mercy and grace, and many thanks to the brethren who have borne with me in my weakness, I submit to you a report of Dayton District.

The first thing to be done after conference was to secure supplies for the vacancies. Bro. J. W. Izor, a quarterly-conference preacher, was appointed to Oakland Circuit, and will submit a report of the work.

In council with the official members of Summit street, it was agreed to invite Brother W. C. Day of White River Conference to the pastorate of that church. He accepted the invitation and was duly appointed, and has completed a very faithful year's work. As it was thought best to se-

cure the services of a colored pastor for Dayton Third Church, after counseling a number of the brethren, and receiving recommendations, both verbal and written, from parties supposed to know the qualifications of of the man, Mr. Williams of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was appointed to the charge; but at the end of the second quarter he resigned, partly from insufficient support and partly by request of a quarterly conference. He was not aquainted with our methods, and failed to get hold of the people. Rev. G. L. Gilbert completed the year, by appointment, very satisfactorily to the members.

During the year it was thought advisable to sell the house in which the Third Church congregation worshiped, and by an order of quarterly conference and the consent of the congregation the property was sold for $4.000. The class has not yet disorganized. What they will do the future will reveal, but under existing circumstances it seems advisable that they disband and join our other churches in the city. I hereby recommend that at this session there be an expression of the conference so far as would be in harmony with the laws of the Church, as to what should be done with the money in case of the disbanding of the class.

Soon after the first quarterly conference of Ithaca Circuit, the pastor, D. N. Howe, became dissatisfied and resigned the charge. Bro. J. D. Holtzinger was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Our people have been blessed with a number of very good revivals, some of which have been far-reaching and permanent. There have been about four hundred accessions this year for which to praise the Lord.

Our people have not been without desire to enlarge their borders, by building and repairing. The new frame church at Abbottsville, on Ithaca Circuit, was completed and dedicated first. They now have a very commodious house, costing about $1.700 or $1.800. The large revival at High Street caused such a pressure that the wall of the former house was not sufficient; hence, the partition between the main audience-room and infant and prayer department was moved, and one commodious room formed of the two, and a new infant department added to the rear of the old, the entire cost being $890, Bro. Dodds coming in, in his usual helpful way, and finishing the main room. I need say no more of Lagonda than, Look about you, and see how the work of the Lord has been magnified, and this house beautified at an outlay of $4.800.

At Zion class, Oakland Circuit, a new frame church is being built, which will be ready for dedication in a few weeks. A number of other houses of worship have been repaired, carpeted, and made more cheerful and inviting to worshipers.

It is to be most devoutedly hoped that our people will breathe some inspiration on the building of parsonages. It is somewhat humiliating to all of us that there is but one parsonage on the entire district. I trust our good people on half a dozen more fields, while they live in their beautiful homes, surrounded with so many of the comforts of life, will remem-

ber the intinerant, with no home of his own, and a scant salary, after living in a poor, inconvenient, and often a very unbecoming house for a minister, and oftentimes because he has not pay enough to have a better one.

I am glad to report that on quite a number of fields the salary agreed upon has been increased over last year, and on ten fields its has been paid in full. The lowest salary, including missionary appropriations, is $195; the highest $1.500. The average salary, not including First Church, is $513, including First Church, $574.

Six persons have been licensed to preach, one to exhort. The license of eight have been renewed. One has been recommended to conference for license to preach.

I have conducted a meeting every Sabbath since conference; have held forty-nine quarterlies entire, ten in part, five entirely by proxy, and am under many obligations to the brethren who have assisted me in the work of the year.

I have tried to preach one hundred and eighty-five sermons. Received as salary, $751.38; as presents, $15.25.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. KILBOURN.

A committee was appointed by the Chair to review Rev. F. G. Grigsby's administration at Arcanum during the year and report to conference. Revs. D. K. Flickinger, W. J. Pruner, and C. Briggs were announced as said committee.

The daily proceedings of conference were reported to *Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette* by Rev. S. W. Keister, *Dayton Journal* by Geo. M. Mathews. The *Springfield Republic* and *Springfield Globe* were represented by local reporters. S. Perry Zehring reported for the *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

Notices were given and on motion conference adjourned.

Rev. J. L. Swain preached in the conference room on Tuesday evening.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

According to announcement, members of conference met in the conference room at 8:00 A. M. to engage in a devotional service, conducted by Rev. W. J. Shuey.

The thirty-fourth psalm was read, and various members of conference led in prayer.

At 8:30 A. M. Bishop Glossbrenner took the chair for the dispatch of business.

The roll of conference was called.

The journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

Rev. C. Briggs was appointed reporter for the *Ohio State Journal.*

The examination of character and reception of reports of itinerants was resumed.

Rev. M. R. Bair of Central Illinois Conference and Rev. M. S. Bovey of Central Ohio Conference, were introduced and admitted to advisory seats.

Rev. J. L. Swain was appointed railroad secretary.

Conference agreed that the branch missionary treasurer should not be held for the payment of a note given him last year, and included in missionary assets, by Rev. S. F. Coons for part of missionary funds subscribed on Lewisburg Circuit.

Rev. W. J. Pruner, D. D., presiding elder of Cincinnati District, submitted his annual report, and his character was passed.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDING ELDER OF CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Dear Brethren:

With deepest gratitude to the God of all grace for his marvelous goodness to me and mine, and to the churches of which I have had the over-

sight during the year now closing, I appear before you to render an account of the work done.

Two brethren, Revs. M. H. Ambrose and R. F. Powell, tendered their resignations at the beginning of the year, leaving New Haven and New Hope circuits without pastors. Rev. Daniel Miller of East Des Moines Conference, and a student in Union Biblical Seminary, was appointed to New Haven, and Rev T. E. Pierce, a quarterly-conference preacher of Lagonda, to New Hope. Rev. W. L. DeMunbrun of Mount Pleasant Circuit notified me about the middle of November that he would accept a call to the Pacific coast.

Rev. L. Burns was somewhat afflicted in the early part of the year, and it was thought that he would not be able to hold protracted meetings on his circuit, Millville, and at my suggestion resigned. Rev. G. C. Warvel, who had for some time been filling Brother Burns' appointments, was then appointed to the Millville work. Subsequently Brother Burns was authorized take to charge of Mount Pleasant Circuit. December 9th, at the second quarterly conference, Rev. J. D. Holtzinger resigned Freeport Mission to take Ithaca Circuit in Dayton District.

Rev. A. Orndorff quarterly-conference preacher, Summit Street United Brethren Church, was appointed about January 1st to to take the place Brother Holtzinger, resigned.

At the first quarterly conference held on the Freeport Mission, the Pleasant Ridge appointment, near Cozoddale, was dropped on account of its distance from the other appointments. Rev. John Glenn was afterward requested to take charge of this appointment. About January 12th Rev. I. T. Hott was put in charge of the Lewisburg Circuit, in place of Rev. S. F. Coons, who was, by a properly constituted committee of elders, suspended from the ministry, on account of acknowledged immorality, until the sitting of the annual conference.

In all, seven appointments have been made to fill vacancies, and some of them at such times as prevented the brethren so appointed from protracted meetings, which the fields greatly needed. Some of the brethren appointed succeeded well; and in fact, all things considered, all have done well. Some of them are young men with but little experience. They have been faithful. It will be seen that the district, much of the time, has been in an unsettled condition. With much difficulty have the broken ranks been filled. I did the best I could at the time. Possibly I was too cautious; but I did not want to appoint men without first having a fair knowledge of them, and while seeking this knowledge circumstances changed with them and they became unavailable.

Three new houses have been dedicated to the worship of God, and a number of old ones have been much improved. In the town of New Hope, New Hope Circuit, a neat frame house, 45 by 50 feet, was completed at a cost of $1.600.

Bloom Rose Chapel, on Blanchester Circuit, is a brick building 36 by 56

feet, and cost about $3.000. At the time of dedication by Rev. William McKee, near $200 above the debt were subscribed.

The new church at Miamisburg is a substantial brick house, 36x60 feet. The cost of lot and building is about $4.500. It is just what our people need at that place. It is a plain, neat, well-finished house, located in the central part of the town.

The brethren at Freeport have painted their church and purchased a new bell.

Our people on New Haven Circuit have been carefully looking after their places of worship. At New Haven, improvements have been made to the amount of $75.00, and at Baltimore to about $1.200. Of this amount $925 are collected. The re-opening will take place in the near future.

On Millville Circuit the brethren have also awakened to the improvement of their houses. Miami Chapel has been repaired and painted. The house at Millville has gone under radical changes, and will be a very convenient and commodious place of worship. The improvements will cost from $500 to $700. Rev. G. C. Warvel and Bro. I. K. Morris deserve much credit for superintending the work so judiciously and economically, and for using thus far their own money

The society at Low's Chapel, on West Elkton Circuit, are making improvments costing $300. The spirit to build, repair, and improve church-property is an encouraging omen.

The salaries of ministers and general collections will, I think, be an average with past years. There is need of immediate inprovement. A large number of the brethren and sisters who pay regularly should give twice and some thrice what they have been giving toward the support of the Church; and then there are those who pay nothing or almost nothing at all. This they do notwithstanding the word says: "Lay by you in store, *every one* of you," and "give as the Lord prospers." This course they pursue notwithstanding the Discipline declares, "It is the duty of all members of the Church to pay toward the support of the itinerant ministry, quarterly, or oftener if need be."

In a number of instances the salaries will fall below the amount agreed upon—not much below, however, except in a few cases. The average salary will be $415. The average is cut down, the resignation of pastors and consequent loss of time. I have constantly urged the payment of salaries in full; have written to many of the stewards asking them to do their utmost. The ministers have worked hard to raise their assessments; and they have had fair success. Certainly some have worked much harder than others; and the rule is in this as in other things, those who have been most faithful have been most successful. The debt on the parent Board of Missions has not been neglected, as the pastor's reports will show. Two fields have paid the whole amount assessed them, eight have paid the one half, and six have fallen below one half, so that about one half of the assessment has been raised. The continuous rainy Sabbaths

have very materially hindered in the collections, the rains coming at the season when most of them are usually taken. A better plan will be to begin the collections in the fall and take one each quarter.

There have been a goodly number of revivals on the district, but with a few exceptions the number of conversions and additions to the Church has been small. This is accounted for, in part, by the resignation of pastors and the sickness of pastors or their families. I doubt not that the principal reason why we have not had greater success in winning souls is a want, upon the part of ministers and laymen, of a deeper consecration to God and a stronger faith in his promises. The standard of Christian life must be raised many degrees before we can reasonably hope for great prosperity. Within the bounds of the district, at Germantown, in November, a special meeting was held, of three days' continuance, for prayer and consecration. To this meeting all were invited, but especially the ministers of the conference. Some ten pastors were present. There was an excellent interest in all of the meetings, and some were able by the help oft he Lord to make their consecration complete, and to receive the sanctifying power of the grace of God. It was an occasion long to be remembered. A similar meeting, beginning earlier in the fall, should be held.

During the year one appointment, Pleasant Valley, of Millville Circuit, was dropped, and one taken up, at New Paris. Brother J. W. Bovey held a protracted meeting at that point and organized a class of sixteen members. This is now connected with the Pleasant Hill Circuit, making in all six appointments.

I have held forty-six quarterly meetings in full, one Saturday and Sabbath, did part of the work for two, and held the quarterly conference for four. I spent most of the winter months with the pastors, having assisted in ten protracted meetings, staying after the Sabbath from one to five days. I also held two quarterly meetings at Pleasant Ridge, the appointment taken from Freeport Mission. These were held, the one on Monday, the other on Tuesday.

I spent one extra Saturday and Sabbath on Lewisburg Circuit, intending at the time to hold the second quarterly meeting two weeks earlier, to adjust a difficulty, but after further consideration it was deemed best to have the quarterly at the regularly appointed time.

I have preached 220 sermons; salary received, $781.24; presents, etc., $46.

Respectfully submitted.

W. J. PRUNER.

Leave of absence was granted to lay delegate Albert E. May, of Lewisburg Circuit.

Members of conference present:

W. K. Albright, George W. Arnold, E. W. Bowers, C. Briggs, L. Burns, J. W. Bovey, C. J. Burkert, D. K. Flickinger, J. W. Glenn, H. Garst, F.

G. Grigsby, G. L. Gilbert, S. Huddle, W. R. Houlton, S. S. Holden, J. D. Holtzinger, I. T. Hott, D. N. Howe, J. W. Kilbourn, S. W. Keister, John Kemp, S. W. McCorkle, William McKee, S. A. Mowers, George M. Mathews, Joseph H. Mayne, C. W. Miller, J. C. Miller, H. J. Mulholland, W. J. Pruner, A. Rodabaugh, W. J. Shuey, W. A. Shuey, H. A. Sechrist, J. L. Swain, H. K. Shank, W. C. Day, I. F. Bushong, S. M. Hippard, W. G. Wells, D. Berger, John W. Izor, Lucius Wilson, Luke E. Pierce. Total number present, 44; absent, 23.

Twenty-three charges were represented by lay delegates, as follows:

Dayton First Church, David L. Rike; Dayton Third Church, Reb$cca Voss; Dayton High Street Church, A. Nelson; Dayton Summit Street Church, S. L. Herr; Beavertown, James Magee; Vandalia, Frank P. Grimes; Lagonda, William H. Berger; Salem, J. H. Whisler; Ithaca, James Fellers; ElDorado, George T. Horrine; Arcanum, F. W. Parks; West Milton, Levi Ammons; Oakland, J. M. Craig; Mt. Zion, Z. Woods; Union City, John Conk. Cincinnati District—Lewisburg, Albert E. May; Liberty, Frank J. Beigle; Germantown, Philip Hemp; Miami Chapel, Charles Staley; Pleasant Hill, H. S. Hutton; New Haven, Thomas Pottenger; Cherry Grove, G. Z. Vansaun; Blanchester, A. S. Craig.

Rev. William Dillon of Auglaize Conference was introduced, and invited to an advisory seat.

Notices were given of committee-meetings, and on motion conference adjourned.

Prayer by Prof. H. Garst, D. D.

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference re-assembled at 2:00 P. M.

Rev. J. C. Miller led in prayer.

Bishop Glossbrenner proceeded with the business of conference.

The placing of reports on the conference chart was resumed.

The following resolution was introduced and passed by conference:

Resolved, That now and henceforth licentiates who are graduates of Union Biblical Seminary be excused from examination on "books required" in their course of reading, but not from the Bible Doctrine.

D. N. Howe.
S. W. McCorkle.

On motion, it was agreed that the licentiates already verbally examined at this conference be exempt from the rule requiring written examinations, for the present.

The following brethren came before conference properly recommended by their respective quarterly conferences as applicants for license to preach the gospel:

John W. Izor, by Oakland Circuit; Luke E. Pierce, by Lagonda Station; Luciu4 Willson, by Fulton Circuit, North Ohio Conference.

These brethren were, on motion, referred to the Committee on Applicants for Examination.

Leave of absence was granted to lay delegate H. S. Hutton, of Pleasant Hill Circuit.

The following conference committees were announced by the Chair:

Boundaries and Finance—W. J. Pruner, John W. Kilburn, C. J. Burkert, William McKee, G. Z. Vansaun, D. L. Rike, Levi Ammons.
Applicants—H. Garst, George W. Arnold, S. W. Keister.
Resolutions—W. A. Shuey, C. W. Miller, H. A. Sechrist.
Grievances—C. W. Miller, J. L. Swain, H. Garst.
Investigation—D. K. Flickinger, C. Briggs, J. D. Holtzinger.

Leave of absence for one day was granted to Rev. S. A. Mowers.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

Whereas, The church at Waterhouse Chapel wishes to remain under the pastoral care of Miami Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That we request Auglaize Conferrnce at its session next week to consent to this desire until next General Conference.

On motion, conference adjourned, after singing the doxology, with benediction by Bishop Glossbrenner.

Rev. D. K. Flickinger delivered a lecture on Africa in the conference-room on Wednesday evening.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met at 8:00 A. M. for devotions, which were under the direction of D. L. Rike.

At 8:30 A. M. Bishop Glossbrenner took the chair, and business began.

The minutes of the preceding day's session were read and approved.

The reports from New Haven and New Hope circuits were placed on the chart.

Rev. J. M. Boltin, of Virginia Conference, was introduced and invited to an advisory seat.

Committee on Applicants reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPLICANTS.

We, your committee on candidates for the Christian ministry, respectfully submit the following report:

There appeared before us for examination Bros. Lucius Wilson, L. E. Pierce, and J. W. Izor.

Bro. Wilson was very ready with answers to all the questions required by Discipline, and gave evidence of thoughtfulness and study.

Bro. Pierce satisfied the committee as to his knowledge of the evidence of Christianity, but upon the doctrines was not quite as clear as under other circumstances might have been desired.

Bro. Izor was not as ready, and did not exhibit that familiarity with the

evidences and doctrines of Christianity which close application to books would have given him.

We recommend that each receive a license to preach, and that the bishop exhort Bro. Izor to diligence in reading and study, and that the presiding elder within whose district he may labor, inquire of him at the Quarterly conferences as to his faithfulness in this regard.

H. GARST,
S. W. KEISTER,
G. S. ARNOLD, } Committee.

The Committee on Boundaries reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES.

We, your Committee on Boundaries and Finance, beg leave to report that the following fields remain unchanged, namely:

Dayton--1. First Church. 2. High Street Church; $250. 3. Summit Street Church. 4. Miami Chapel. 5. Vandalia. 6. Lagonda. 7. Piqua. 8. Salem. 9. Arcanum. 10. Union City; $125. 11. ElDorado. 12. Germantown. 13. Lewisburg. 14. Liberty. 15. Miltonville. 16. New Haven. 17. Cherry Grove. 18. Miamisburg; $150. 19. Third Church, Dayton. 20. West Elkton. 21. New Hope. 22. Mt. Pleasant. 23. Oregonia; $100. 24. Millville.

We also recommend the following changes:

1. That Beardshear Church be detached from Beavertown Circuit.

2. That West Milton, Georgetown, Caylor Chapel, and Clefacre classes constitute a circuit, to be known as West Milton Circuit.

3. That Abbottsville, Greenville, Coletown, and Hill Grove appointments constitute Greenville Mission; appropriation, $150.

4. That Mt. Zion, Pleasant Grove, Waterhouse, and Tegarden appointments constitute Mt. Zion Circuit.

5. That Ithica, Sonora, and Baltimore be known as Ithaca Circuit.

6. That Cozaddale be added to Blanchester Circuit.

7. That Springborough Mission be made a circuit.

8. That Calvary Church be detached from Pleasant Hill and added to the Arcanum charge.

9. That Pleasant Hill remain as now constituted, minus Calvary Church.

10. That Beardshear Church be known as Beardshear charge.

11. That Pleasant Hill Circuit be attached to Dayton District, and Beavertown charge transferred to Cincinnati District, then said districts to remain as before.

Respectfully submitted.

W. J. PRUNER.
JNO. W. KILBOURN.
C. J. BURKERT.
WM. MCKEE.
G. Z. VANSAUN,
D. L. RIKE.
LEVI AMMONS.
} Committee.

The Committee on Investigation reported. Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE ADMINISTRATION OF REV. F. G. GRIGSBY, AT ARCANUM STATION.

After patient and careful investigation of the matter referred to us, hearing all parties concerned and the testimony of witnesses in the case, we conclude:

1. That Bro. Grigsby has been placed in an exceedingly trying position.

2. That he has, in the face of great opposition, stood up for a righteous principle in keeping a lottery scheme out of the church and Sunday-school.

3. That much of his trouble has come from insisting upon carrying out the genius of our church-policy — that the official Board have the right to decide matters pertaining to the Sunday-schools.

4. That he erred in his judgment in allowing the class to try ex-members of the quarterly conference for official acts during their term of office, even though those acts were illegal.

5. That his ruling that a vote not to pass a member's name with charges against him in a revision meeting being equivalent to expulsion, was illegal.

6. Finally, we recommend that his character pass without censure, and that he is entitled to the sympathy of all his brethren, in view of the very trying position in which circumstances placed him.

Respectfully submitted.

D. K. FLICKINGER.
J. D. HOLTZINGER.
C. BRIGGS.
} Committee.

Leave of absence was granted the lay delegate of Dayton Third Church.

The examination of itinerants engaged in local church-work and of local elders was commenced.

A letter of honorable dismission from the conference and Church was granted to Rev. M. H. Ambrose.

A communication was received from Rev. E. S. Chapman, stating that the call of duty required him to remain in the climate of the north-west, and having labored for a year and a half within the Presbyterian denomination, a sense of propriety dictated that he should ask conference for such credentials as would enable him to unite with Denver Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church.

On motion, a letter of honorable dismissal from the conference and Church was granted him.

The local relation of Rev. E. H. Caylor was continued another year.

The name of Rev. S. F. Coons was referred to a special committee, to review the doings of a former committee in his case, and report to conference.

The Chair announced as the special committee Revs. C. U. Miller, H. Garst, and J. L. Swain.

W. L. DeMunbrun was granted a transfer to California Conference.

A letter from Rev. Joseph Gomer, of Shaingay, Africa, was read to conference by the corresponding secretary of the missionary society.

The secretary was instructed by conference to prepare a suitable reply and forward to Brother Gomer.

H. Tobey's name was referred to a committee.

Rev. W. H. Lanthurn, absent from this session of conference through protracted illness, sent his warmest and and kindest greetings to his brethren through Brother W. J. Shuey.

Rev. H. Hoffman was also detained at his home by sick-

ness, and requested the prayers of conference in his behalf.

The name of Rev. H. K. Shank was arrested before conference, and on motion, he was referred to the Committee on Grievances.

Conference agreed that the consideration of the Report on Education be the special order of business for 3:00 P. M. to-day.

Rev. George M. Mathews, from the Committee on Missions, reported.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Christianity is of God. It is designed for man. It is adapted to meet the wants of the whole race. To execute his plan of saving the world, God has chosen the church as a divine agent. The voice of inspiration to the church is prophecy, a promise and a command.

The prophecy is that the stone "cut without hands" shall become a great mountain and fill the earth.

The promise is that the "crucified and risen" King shall establish a universal kingdom, whose dominion "shall not pass away."

The command is, "Go." Carry the word of life to others, to "regions beyond," to "every creature," even to the uttermost limits of the earth.

So we, as a denomination, believe and teach. We, therefore, renew our attachment to the Head of the church, and increase our efforts to bring to pass this grand consummation.

We rejoice that God in his providence is opening to us new fields at home and abroad, and is raising up laborers for them; we implore the same heavenly Father to pour upon the people holy fire in large measure, so that a cheerful response may be given to the calls of the Board to meet its present pressing and increasing wants.

We are grateful for the increasing prosperity of our work both in Germany and Africa, and pray the "Father of Lights" to give health, wisdom, grace, and faithfulness to all our missionaries in those far-off fields, and hereby again re-assure those noble workers of our sympathy and support in their blessed work of bringing the world to Christ.

We are pleased with the successful trip of our secretary, Rev. D. K. Flickinger, D.D., to Europe and Africa, and are very thankful for the

transfer by the American Missionary Board of the Mendi Mission, together with an endowment of $5,000 per year for five years; also the gift of $9.600 for the mission-steamer "John Brown," about completed, to be used for the benefit of Sherbro Mission.

We record with pride the fact that Miami Conference has responded so nobly to the call of the treasurer for liquidating the debt of the Board—the pastors, almost without exception, having paid their assessment for this year and for the incoming year.

We look with pleasure and pride upon the continued and increasing success of the Woman's Missionary Society, and bid them Godspeed both in their foreign work and their mission among the Chinese on our western coast.

We welcome with pleasure Mrs. Mair, one of their faithful and devoted laborers in Africa, and pray God's richest blessing upon her during the rest of life.

We express our entire confidence in the Board of Missions, and our hearty approval of the manner in which they are managing the various interests committed to their care, and devoutly pray that such a spirit of consecration and giving shall take hold of our people as shall result in removing speedily the embarrassment of the Board, and shall enable them to move forward into those fields which God in his providence is plainly opening up to them.

We rejoice to hear of the faithfulness of Bros. Gomer and Wilberforce, our missionaries in Africa, both of whom are honored members of Miami Conference, and assure them of our constant prayers, spmpathy, and support.

D. L. Rike, in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Society, presented the following report:

The Miami Branch of the Woman's Missionary Association desire to present the following report of their work to conference:

Number of local societies	23
Aggregate number of members	255
Number of life members	20
Number of life directors	12
Number of children's bands	5
Members of bands	110

Whole amount raised during year, including contingent and Rotufunk Chapel fund, $736.50.

We take great pleasure in speaking of the uniform kindness and courtesy extended to us by the presiding elders and pastors of the con-

ference. Wherever efforts have been made to organize societies, a cordial welcome and helping hand have been extended.

Profoundly impressed with the belief that the voice of Providence says *to us*, "Arise, thy Master has come and calleth for thee," we trust we go forth in the same spirit of humility and willing obedience that Mary had when she went to meet her Lord.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. D. L. RIKE, President.

MRS. L. K. MILLER, Secretary.

John Dodds, Esq., of Dayton, Ohio, one of our public and aggressive laymen, was voted an honorary seat among us, and accorded the privileges of conference. He improved this relation by delivering several stirring addresses on missions and temperance.

Pending the consideration of the Report on Missions, conference adjourned.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by W. J. Shuey.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met for business at 2 : 00 P. M., Bishop Glossbrenner presiding.

The consideration of the report on missions was resumed. Interesting and touching addresses were made by different members of conference.

An earnest appeal was made by Brother Dodds to the laity of Miami Conference to continued well-doing and increased liberality to the cause of missions. The report was adopted.

The following was presented and passed by conference:

Believing that a deeper interest may and ought to be awakened among

the ministry as well as the laity of this conference in the great cause of Christian missions; therefore,

Resolved, That Rev. George M. Mathews be requested to prepare and preach on Thursday evening of the next session of conference a sermon on this vital subject.

Rev. E. W. Bowers, of the Committee on Education, reported. The report was well and ably discussed by different members of conference.

Professors H. Garst and E. L. Shuey, of Otterbein University, made interesting statements of the financial and spiritual condition of our work. An excellent revival was had the past winter, and many students were led to Christ. The work was far-reaching in its results.

A strong appeal was made to the ministry to aid in sending students to this institution of learning.

The benefits of Union Biblical Seminary were also pressed upon all contemplating the work of the ministry.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

God has endowed man with a mind and heart susceptible of culture, and from his relation and obligations to himself, his fellow-beings, and his reator, Creason demands that all his powers should be developed in order to his being thoroughly furnished to a mature manhood. This can only be accomplished when mind and heart are alike trained. Such training, surely, can only be secured under Christian influence, in Christian colleges and seminaries. We rejoice that the spirit of education is reaching the hearts of many of the parents of our own denomination, causing them to sustain our colleges and seminaries by sending their sons and daughters, giving their means for their support, and lifting their hearts to God for the success of these institutions. We are gratified to know that the $50,000 of the $100,000 of Otterbein University's debt was secured in the specified time, and that the work on the remaining $50,000 is progressing.

1. We recognize that the plain duty in supporting Christian education is, "Onward and upward and forward to-day."

2. Otterbein University is an institution for which we ought to be

grateful, and show our gratitude by soliciting students to fill its walls and money for its support. We, as a conference, can unreservedly recommend its work and Christian influence to the support and liberality of our people.

3. We speak in praise of the work that Union Biblical Seminary is doing. It is an honor to the denomination and the cause it represents. The entire Church ought to rally to liquidate its debt.

4. The Beneficiary Educational fund ought to be largely increased, and our entire people ought to know its worth. We accept the assessment of the Board of Education, and will do our utmost to secure the amount.

5. The young people of our church, especially, ought to be urged to rsad the course as laid down by the Home Reading-Circle.

6. As the Board of Trustees of Otterbein University has recommended the organization of a woman's educational association in the interest of the University within the co-operation conferences, we heartily commend this action to the women of this conference, and hope they will act soon in this matter.

7. *Resolved*, That we highly appreciate the woman's missionary work in this conference; that we will print in our minutes the facts and figures they have sent to this conference by Brother D. L. Rike; and that for calling forth so zealous an ally in the missionary work we thank God and take courage, and with increased faith and hope of the world's speedy evangelization, go forth to renewed effort to do our part in the great work of the Lord.

The itinerant list was revised.

At their own request, a local relation for one year was granted to Rev. L. Burns and Rev. E. W. Bowers.

Joseph H. Mayne and C. W. Day were, on motion, received into the itineracy.

Rev. John W. Kilbourn and Rev. William McKee were elected presiding elders.

S. L. Herr and Joseph H. Mayne were appointed tellers to count the ballots cast for ministers to assist in stationing the presiding elders.

W. C. Day and D. L. Rike were appointed to count the votes cast for members of the Stationing Committee.

Rev. F. G. Grigsby, of the Committee on Church-Erection, reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF CHURCH-ERECTION SOCIETY.

WHEREAS, The object of the Church-Erection Society is to provide houses of worship to secure the fruits of our own toil and to supply the wants of our own people; and,

WHEREAS, In many places our people, not having the means to provide for themselves houses of worship, if neglected or unassisted by the church-erection fund will be lost to us as a church; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we, as a conference, will do more for this important interest in the future than we have in the past.

2. That we will encourage our people to erect houses of worship wherever it is practicable, and make special donations to the Church in this field of usefulness.

3. That we cheerfully accept the assessments made to our field of labor and keep this interest of church-work before our people.

F. G. GRIGSBY.

Rev. W. J. Shuey and Rev. George M. Mathews of Dayton District, and Rev. C. J. Burkert and Rev. J. L. Swain of Cincinnati District, were elected to assist in stationing the presiding elders.

Revs. W. J. Shuey, L. Burns, C. W. Miller, and E. W. Burns were elected members of the Stationing Committee.

The committee in the case of Rev. S. F. Coons reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES.

We, your Committee on Grievances, beg leave to submit the following report:

1. In the case of Rev. S. F. Coons we find that, so far as the documents placed in our hands show, the proceedings in his trial and suspension were regular.

2. We recommend that Rev. S. F. Coons be expelled from the Church and his name erased from the roll of conference for gross immorality confessed and sustained by evidence.

C. W. MILLER.
J. L. SWAIN.
H. GARST. } Committee.

C. W. Miller, elected a member of the Stationing Committee, was released from further service on Grievance Committee, and D. Berger was appointed in his stead.

Announcements for committee-work were made, after which, on motion, conference adjourned.

Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Glossbrenner.

The conference communion-service on Thursday evening was conducted by Rev. T. F. Bushong.

On Friday evening an enthusiastic temperance meeting was held, Rev. George M. Mathews presiding.

Strong resolutions on temperance were formulated by the lay delegates in special session, and incorporated with General Conference resolutions.

The second amendment received a hearty indorsement from the ministry and laity.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, The sale of intoxicating liquors in the State of Ohio is on the increase year after year, producing misery and crime; and,

WHEREAS, The legislature of our state, at its last session, passed an act giving the voters of the state an opportunity, by their votes, to add an amendment to the constitution of the state, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we, as laymen in this annual conference, ask our ministers to do all in their power to enlighten our people and create public sentiment in favor of the second amendment.

Resolved, 2. That we, as laymen, will stand by them with all our influence, in the Church and out, to accomplish this end.

G. T. HORINE.
H. O. HUTTON. } Committee.
D. L. RIKE.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The devotional services preceding the opening of the business sessions of conference were conducted by John Dodds.

Business session opened at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Glossbrenner presiding.

The roll of conference was called.

Leave of absence from further attendance on conference was granted to Revs. D. N. Howe and C. L. Miller.

Report from Millville Circuit was received and entered on the chart.

Rev. George W. Arnold, of the Committee on Observance of the Sabbath, reported. The report was amended and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

The Sabbath, a weekly day of rest and religious worship, was instituted by God in the garden of Eden, and hallowed by his blessing and affirmed amid the most awfully sublime scenes on the summit of Sinai, when God gave to man the decalogue, the central law of which is, "Remember the Sabbath-day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates"—a law as imperative and obligatory as any of the divine statutes. And again, this institution was honored and adorned by the teaching of Jesus Christ, who said, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath," signifying that it was not simply an arbitrary affair given simply for God's pleasure that he might be remembered, but was given because man needed it. God can exist without man, but man can not exist without God. So the Sabbath was a necessity for man's nature; therefere God made it for him. But it fs not for man to use as he may please or see fit. It is his to use to the glory of God, and only by so doing can he get the designed benefit from it. It is pre-eminently a religious institution, broad as humanity, perpetual as time, and deeply-rooted in the necessity of the constitution of man's nature. The body, brain, and soul of man are penetrated by this law of the Sabbath to that degree that, to uproot it, would be to destroy society itself and involve the world in moral disorder, physical degeneracy, and mental degradation. Inasmuch as the evil of Sabbath-desecration still prevails to an alarming extent, so appalling that its results can not be estimated, being seen in the contamination of youth, in the multitudes seeking amusement rather than worship, and in that but few of the whole population is pledged to its religious observance: therefore we deem it our duty to re-affirm our

solemn and divinely-wrought conviction as to what we deem violations of the law of God, as touching the sanctity of the holy Sabbath-day; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we deplore the practiced indifference of many professed Christians on this subject.

2. That we will discountenance and raise our voices in solemn protest against everything that looks toward the violation of the fourth commandment; namely, the Sunday train, the Sunday mail, the Sunday newspaper, the Sunday manufactory, the Sunday theater, Sunday excursions—even many things often regarded as innocent, such as pleasure-riding, social-visiting, surprise parties, ball and croquet playing, fishing and hunting, purchasing and reading newspapers or novels, and all such trade, barter, work, and travel as causes the secular business of the week to trench upon the day of rest and worship.

Inasmuch as there is a possibility and a danger of losing the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship, resulting in a great degree from the prevalence of foreign sentiment, practice, and example; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we, as a conference of ministers and laymen, will each of us enroll ourselves as members of a vast committee to set before the world an example of steadfast, conscientious loyalty to God's law respecting the Sabbath day, and by every other means to bring about the time when all the land shall keep the Sabbath, to sanctify it for the physical, moral, and religious good of all; that Heaven's best favor might rest upon us, and all the world might say, "Blessed are they who keep the ways of the Lord."

2. That we tender our thanks to such members of the legislature and to all others in authority, and to such portion of the secular press of our state as deserve them, for their faithfulness in defending the Sabbath-day.

3. That we will work on and pray to counteract the organized and combined influence of the liquor-traffic as opposed to the sanctity of the Lord's-day.

4. That we recommend to Christian parents the prayerful examination and correction, if need be, of their methods of teaching and practicing the proper observance of the Sabbath in their families.

5. That the itinerants who have fields in this conference be required to preach at each appointment, at some time during the ensuing year, a sermon on the subject of Sabbath desecration.

The Committee on Grievances submitted a final report. The report was amended, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES.

We, your Committee on Grievances, beg to submit the following report on the case of Rev. H. K. Shank:

We listened patiently to Bro. Shank and to brethren who felt aggrieved at the course of Bro. Shank in repeating rumors and accusations, and we conclude,

1. That Bro. Shank erred grievously in for so long a time repeating and affirming his belief of damaging rumors and accusations concerning several of his brethren in the conference, while at the same time failing to prefer charges to test the merits of these rumors and accusations according to the methods prescribed by the Discipline. For this course in the past, in the judgment of the committee, he deserves the *censure* of the conference.

2. That we recommend the passage of his character by the conference *upon the condition that he promise to cease repeating and affirming his belief of these rumors and accusations.*

The character of Bro. Shank was then passed, after he promised in open conference to comply with the *condition* recommended by the committee.

In the case of Bro. Tobey the committee reported:

In respect to Father Henry Tobey, whose case was also referred to us, we report that there was laid before us the report of a committee appointed by the quarterly conference of the New Hope Charge, and we also heard statements made by several brethren.

The report of the quarterly conference committee *confesses inability* to prefer definite charges, and the whole matter does not come before us in such a form as, in our judgment, to justify the further arrest of Father Tobey's name. We therefore recommend the passage of his character.

D. BERGER.
H. GARST.
J. L. SWAIN. } Committee.

Rev. W. J. Shuey, treasurer of Preachers' Aid Society, reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

Receipts.

1882.		
Aug. 25.—Balance in treasury		$115 18
Lewisburg Circuit	$16 00	
Vandalia Circuit	18 00	
Salem Circuit	20 00	
El Dorado Circuit	25 00	
High Street, Dayton	3 00	
First Church, Dayton	25 00	

Liberty Circuit	14 05	
Union City	9 80	
Germantown	16 00	
Summit Street	8 45	
Beavertown	12 00	
Lagonda	8 00	
West Milton Mission	1 50	
Ithaca	10 00	
Arcanum	8 00	
Piqua	2 00	
Oakland Mission	.....	
Miamisburg	2 00	
Springborough	2 00	
Freeport	.....	
Miltonville	14 00	
West Elkton	8 00	
New Hope	2 00	
Pleasant Hill	5 00	
Millville	.....	
New Haven	8 00	
Mt. Pleasant	6 50	
Cherry Grove	13 00	
Blanchester	6 00	
Interest on Saum Donation	44 35	
Mt. Zion	4 00	
Miami Chapel	1 00	
Third Church, Dayton	1 00	
		313 65
		$428 83

Expended.

W. G. Wells	$50 00	
Mrs. Eleanor Coons	80 00	
Mrs. F. M. Fowler	125 00	
Mrs. Fleenor	50 00	
Mrs. Marshall	5 00	
		$310 00
Balance in treasury		$118 83

Respectfully

W. J. SHUEY, Treasurer.

W. J. Shuey was re-elected treasurer of said fund.

Rev. Wm. McKee, branch missionary treasurer, reported. His report was adopted.

BRANCH MISSIONARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

August 28, 1883.

To balance in treasury			$908 97
Ithaca Circuit, per D. N. Howe			85
To borrowed money			50 00
	Debt Fund.	Current Fund.	
Summit Street Church, Dayton, C. W. Day..	$68 00	$100 00	
Beavertown Circuit, T. F. Bushong	23 94	80 00	
High Street Church, Dayton, G. M. Mathews	20 00	30 00	
Ithaca Circuit, J. D. Holtzinger	22 66	71 00	
West Elkton, A. Rodabaugh	10 00	70 00	
Salem, J. C. Miller	81 00	138 68	
Blanchester, W. R. Houlton	10 00	35 08	
Arcanum, F. G. Grigsby	48 00	70 00	
Mt. Pleasant, L. Burns	19 40	54 60	
Union City, S. W. Keister	40 00	106 80	
Pleasant Hill, J. W. Bovey	24 55	55 25	
ElDorado, C. Briggs	95 00	155 80	
Miamisburg, G. W. Arnold	8 00	25 00	
Germantown, J. L. Swain	92 00	132 40	
New Hope, L. E. Pierce	14 00	40 20	
Mt. Zion, W. K. Albright	27 55	36 85	
First Church, Dayton, S. A. Mowers	124 00	300 00	
Lewisburg, I. T. Hott	.....	75 65	
Miami Chapel, E. W. Bowers	26 00	76 50	
Third Church, Dayton, C. L. Gilbert		24 14	
Springborough, S. Huddle	24 00	23 00	
Cherry Grove, H. J. Mulholland	45 00	120 00	
Cozaddale, J. W. Glenn	.....	3 75	
Freeport, A. C. Orndorff	10 00	20 00	
Liberty, C. J. Burkert	76 00	83 85	
Miltonville, J. H. Mayne	12 45	120 00	
Piqua, M. S. Bovey	8 68	18 01	
Lagonda, S. W. McCorkle	38 01	70 00	
Vandalia, William McKee	82 00	140 50	
Oakland, J. W. Izor	14 00	25 00	
West Milton, S. S. Holden	10 00	14 60	
New Haven, D. Miller	30 00	72 50	
Millville, G. C. Warvel	.....	26 35	
Collected for debt	$1,104 24		
Collected for current fund			$2,415 81
Total for current fund			$3,375 63

Disbursements.

Paid S. W. Keister, Union City	$200 00	
" G. M. Mathews, High Street, Dayton	300 00	
" J. D. Holtzinger, Freeport	15 00	
" Paid A. C. Orndorff, "	35 00	
" S. S. Holden, West Milton	75 00	
" M. S. Bovey, Piqua	100 00	
" G. W. Arnold, Miamisburg	154 00	
" J. J. Williams, Third U. B. Church	40 00	
" G. L. Gilbert, " "	20 00	
" S. Huddle, Springborough	50 00	
		$985 00
Reimbursed the treasury	17 16	
To loss on Lewisburg note	15 60	
To postage, discount, and exchange	98	
To W. J. Shuey, on printing	104 55	
Returned to R. F. Powell, Miami Chapel	1 00	
To J. K. Billheimer, parent treasurer	1,155 63	
		$1,294 92
Total expenditures		$2,279 92

Recapitulation.

Total for current fund	$3,374 63
Expenditures deducted	2,279 92
Balance in treasury	$1,095 71

WM. MCKEE, Branch Treasurer.

August 27, 1883.

REPORT OF CHURCH-ERECTION FUND.

From First Church, Dayton, S. A. Mowers	$15 00
Lagonda, S. W. McCorkle	5 00
High Street, Dayton, G. M. Mathews	1 00
Salem, J. C. Miller	10 00
ElDorado, C. Briggs	12 61
Arcanum, F. G. Grigsby	5 00
Union City, S. W. Keister	5 45
Piqua, M. S. Bovey	1 00
Vandalia, Wm. McKee	10 00
West Milton, S. S. Holden	1 00
Ithaca, J. D. Holtzinger	5 53
Miami Chapel, E. W. Bowers	4 00
Third U. B. Church, Dayton, G. L. Gilbert	25
Miltonville, J. H. Mayne	5 25
Lewisburg, I. T. Hott	3 80

Miamisburg, G. W. Arnold	1 00
New Hope, L. E. Pierce	2 00
Freeport, A. C. Orndorff	1 00
West Elkton, A. Rodabaugh	4 00
Liberty, C. J. Burkert	10 00
Mt. Pleasant, L. Burns	4 15
Oakland, J. W. Izor	2 00
New Haven, D. Miller	2 00
Cherry Grove, H. J. Mulholland	10 00
Blanchester, W. R. Houlton	5 00
Germantown, J. L. Swain	10 00
Total	$136 04
Paid to J. K. Billheimer	$136 04

WM. McKEE, Branch Treasurer.

Dayton, Ohio, *August* 31, 1883.

On motion, an additional appropriation of $10 was granted to Dayton Third Church.

On motion, agreed that the missionary appropriation to Freeport Mission for the past year be divided among the pastors of said mission according to the time given by each to said charge.

Rev. Wm. McKee was re-elected branch missionary treasurer.

Rev. J. C. Burkert was re-elected branch missionary secretary.

Rev. Wm. McKee, treasurer of the Beneficiary Educational Society, reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF BENEFICIARY EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Receipts.

To balance in treasury			$90 05
Received of	Dayton First Church, S. A. Mowers	$20 00	
"	Dayton Summit Street Church, C. W. Day	13 30	
"	Dayton High Street Church, G. M. Mathews	3 00	
"	Beavertown, T. F. Bushong	9 00	
"	Vandalia, Wm. McKee	12 00	
"	Lagonda, S. W. McCorkle	8 00	

Received of	Salem, J. C. Miller	14 00	
"	Ithaca, J. D. Holtzinger	5 53	
"	ElDorado, C. Birggs	15 00	
"	Arcanum, F. G. Grigsby	8 00	
"	Oakland, John Izor	2 00	
"	Mt. Zion, W. K. Albright	3 00	
"	Union City, S. W. Keister	5 75	
"	Pleasant Hill, J. W. Bovey	3 00	
"	Miami Chapel, E. W. Bowers	4 00	
"	Liberty, C. J. Burkert	8 00	
"	Lewisburg, I. T. Hott	3 60	
"	Germantown, J. L. Swain	8 00	
"	West Elkton, A. Rodabaugh	3 00	
"	Miltonville, J. H. Mayne	5 00	
"	Mt. Pleasant, L. Burns	3 10	
"	Miamisburg, G. W. Arnold	2 00	
"	New Hope, L. E. Pierce	2 00	
"	Third U. B. Church, G. L. Gilbert	50	
"	Cherry Grove, H. J. Mulholland	8 00	
"	Freeport, A. C. Orndorff	1 00	
"	Blanchester, W. R. Houlton	4 08	
"	Piqua, M. S. Bovey	1 00	
"	New Haven, D. Miller	5 00	
			$180 86
Total			$270 91

Expenditures.

1882.			
Nov. 17.	Loaned to I. T. Hott	$50 00	
"	Loaned to G. W. Arnold	40 00	
"	Bought books for secretary and treasurer, branch and officers of Educational Board	90	
1883.			
Sept. 1.	Paid G. A. Funkhouser, parent treasurer	60 00	
			$150 90
Balance in treasury			$120 01

WM. McKEE, Branch Treasurer.

Dayton, Ohio, *September* 1, 1883.

Revs. Wm. McKee, J. P. Landis, and D. Berger were re-elected directors of the Ministerial Educational Aid Society.

On motion, conference adjourned. Benediction by Bishop Glossbrenner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference re-assembled at 2 o'clock P. M., Bishop Glossbrenner in the chair.

Rev. D. Berger led the conference in prayer.

The Committee on First Year's Course of Reading reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRST YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

Your committee on First Year's Course of Reading, submit the following report:

1. That W. A. Shuey appeared before the committee and passed a very satisfactory examination. He was clear in defining the Bible doctrines, and sustained his definitions with numerous proof-texts. He also had a very excellent essay. We recommend that he be passed to the second year.

2. That Lucius Willson appeared before the committee and passed a fair examination. He was not as clear in his definitions of the Bible doctrines, nor as abundant in use of proof-texts as the committee could have desired. We recommend, however, that he be passed to the second year.

3. W. R. Holton appeared before the committee and was examined. Upon the points of doctrine he was only moderately clear. But there is nothing that could be considered hetrodox in his definitions. His texts of scripture were generally pertinent. In grammar and orthography, poor. We recommend that he be passed to second year.

J. W. KILBOURN.
T. F. BUSHONG. } Committee.
J. L. SWAIN.

Committee on Second Year's Course of Reading reported. The report was adopted.

Your Committee on Second Year's Course of Reading report that W. A. Shuey and H. A. Sechrist appeared before us and passed a very creditable examination in doctrine. Their answers were ready and appropriate, and showed care in preparation. They had read all the books required, or their equivalents; likewise a part of the books recommended. They are both graduates of Union Biblical Seminary, of the class of '83. Bro. Sechrist presented a written sermon. We most heartily recommend that they pass to third year's course of reading.

S. W. MCCORKLE. }
D. N. HOWE. } Committee.

Rev. J. W. Bovey, Committee on Sabbath-schools, reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

The Bible is a complete code of laws; a perfect body of divinity; an unequaled narrative.

It is the best covenant ever made; the best deed that was ever sealed; the be best will that was ever executed; the best testament that was ever signed.

It is the young man's best companion, the school-boy's best instructor, the learned man's masterpiece, and every man's directory.

It promises an eternal reward to the faithful and believing.

One main and special object of the Sabbath-school is Bible instruction; to impress the due importance of truth, the whole truth of God's word to children and youth; to lead them to Christ; prepare them for life; life present, life eternal. This is, or should be, the course pursued in our Sabbath-schools at the present day.

In view of the above we submit the following:

We believe that the Sunday-school should be under the control of Christian men and women;

That the influence of their character and example is an important factor in work to be done in the Sabbath-school;

That all Christians should interest themselves in the Sunday-school by praying for it, giving the money necessary to conduct it properly, and attending it.

We deplore the absence from the Sabbath-school of many of the older members of the Church, who by precept encourage but by example discourage the Sabbath-school work; therefore, we most earnestly request the pastors and superintendents to use every effort to secure their attendance.

The need of the day is more efficient teaching in the Sabbath-school, and we therefore recommend that institutes be held and normal classes formed wherever practicable.

In view of the interest and value attaching to the meetings of our Miami Conference Sunday-school Convention, we earnestly advise and encourage our ministers and people to attend in greater numbers the annual sessions of the convention. J. W. Bovey, Committee.

Rev. S. A. Mowers, Committee on Publishing Interests, reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

Among the mighty agencies in shaping individual character and molding public sentiment, the press perhaps is second to none, and with our rapidly-multiplying population and our increased and unceasing facilities for speedy circulation, there are for the press in the near future almost boundless possibilities; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we feel the importance of utilizing this mighty agency for Christ and the Church, and furnishing our people literature that is pure in thought, Christ-like in spirit, and strong to create and mold Christian character.

2. That our own periodicals issued from our publishing house at Dayton, Ohio, in tone and character are such as commend themselves to our consciences and judgment, and merit our heartiest indorsement and approval.

3. That we are pleased with the wise management of our publishing house by the general agent and with the ability and wisdom of our editors, and pledge to them our sympathy and co-operation in the enlarged circulation of all our periodicals and sale of our books.

S. A. MOWERS, Committee.

The Committee on Finance reported. The report was amended and adopted.

The Finance Committee reported thus:

Fields of Labor.	P. E. Elders' Salary.....	Missions.....	Preachers' Aid.....	S. S. General Fund.....	Beneficiary Educat'n..	Church-Erection.....	Bishop's Collections...	Appropriations.....	Missionary Debt.....
Dayton District									
Dayton First Church.	$80	$250	$25	$15	$20	$15	$20	.....	$80 00
" Summit St.....	52	100	12	8	20	8	12	.....	11 09
" High St.....	28	40	4	3	5	3	3	$250	26 00
" Third Church	20	20	1	1	1	1	1	10	17 00
Lagonda.....	50	60	7	3	3	5	7	.....	9 19
Vandalia.....	65	140	18	10	12	10	15	.....	.....
Salem	60	130	18	10	12	10	15	.....	.....
Ithaca.....	48	70	12	6	6	6	8	.....	35 34
Arcanum	52	80	8	5	8	6	6	.....	.....
El Dorado	68	150	18	10	14	10	16	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	50	90	12	8	6	8	12	.....	30 45
Mt. Zion.....	52	80	12	4	4	3	7	.....	29 45
Greenville	32	50	3	3	3	3	5	150	10 00
Union City.....	48	70	6	4	4	4	5	125	.....
Piqua.....	24	20	1	1	1	1	1	100	8 32
Beardshear.....	20	15	1	1	1	1	1	.....	5 00
West Milton.....	32	45	4	2	3	3	4	.....	10 00
								635	271 84
Cincinnati Dist.									
Miami Chapel.....	44	75	10	6	6	6	8	.....	26 00
Beavertown.....	50	90	15	9	10	6	12	.....	32 00
Freeport.....	36	25	4	2	2	2	3	100	10 00
Springborough.....	48	55	7	4	4	6	6	50	24 00
Miamisburg	24	25	4	2	2	3	3	100	8 00
Germantown	65	130	16	10	8	10	14	.....	.....
Liberty	60	110	14	10	8	10	14	.....	.....
Lewisburg.....	64	120	16	10	8	10	14	.....	82 00
New Hope.....	40	70	10	6	6	6	8	.....	31 00
West Elkton.....	52	70	12	8	6	8	10	.....	40 00
Miltonville	60	130	14	10	8	10	14	.....	48 00
Millville.....	32	40	6	4	3	4	6	.....	30 00
New Haven.....	50	70	10	8	6	8	10	.....	18 00
Mt. Pleasant.....	48	70	8	6	6	6	8	.....	28 00
Cherry Grove.....	56	120	14	8	8	10	12	.....	.....
Blanchester.....	48	40	6	6	6	6	6	.....	10 00
					97	109	148	250	394 00

Respectfully submitted.

COMMITTEE.

Rev. C. Briggs, chairman of Committee on State of the Church, reported. The report was amended and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENERAL STATE OF RELIGION IN MIAMI CONFERENCE.

All evangelical Christian's agree that success in saving souls depends upon spiritual power. Intellect, eloquence, science, art, may all be employed to get men into the church, but they will never be saved in the absence of spiritual power. And this power must be in possession of God's people. Hence the church was detained at Jerusalem until its ministers and people were endowed with it. Such being the case, it is not doing violence to the subject to conclude that our success in saving souls is the measure of our spiritual power. Studying the results of our work as a denomination, as a conference, or as individuals, teaches us some very important lessons.

It is a gratifying fact that many persons are annually brought into the church, but it is a humiliating fact that many of them soon go out of it; and it is not unfair, we think, to conclude that many such were never saved. Their conversion was of the head and not of the heart,—the work of men, not of God. It is not to be questioned but there are thousands of genuine conversions in this church every year, nor do we believe that the church has generally backslidden from God. It is perhaps nearer the truth to say that our want of success in real soul-saving is due to other causes:

1. The fortifications of the ungodly have been greatly strengthened of late years, as all of our older pastors know.

2. The methods of the church are better understood by the unsaved, and their knowledge and cunning have rendered them less effective.

3. The many persons in society who are evidently unsaved, but have regard for morality, have made a nearer approach and in greater numbers, to the morality of Christians, than ever before. They are constantly challenging the church to show a better morality than their own, and their taunt is, as in the days of David, "Where now is thy God?" Their uplifting in morals is one of the collateral triumphs of the glorious gospel, elevating even those who only accept it nominally, but who are still the opponents of vital godliness. Theirs is a Christless, a godless religion, too often controlling whole denominations of Christians, and dominating in most societies of simply human origin. Their opposition is one of the most formidable barriers to the progress of human salvation.

It is plain, therefore, that if the church is to triumph over these opposing influences and save the lost, she must rise to a much greater spiritual attitude—be endued with far greater spiritual power. It is probably true that the most aggressive among our ministers and people are contending

with the powers of darkness on too low a plane of spiritual life. And it is equally true that there is a large conservative element in the church (to call it by no more offiensive name), who are either themselves unsaved, or who are in that state characterized by the prophet as "at ease in Zion." As a consequence, many of our young people, instead of being converted to God, and our sons devoting themselves to the ministry, are becoming hardened against religion to an alarming degree, and are sometimes among the most perverse in the community. The prayers and entreaties of godly parents no longer melt their hearts, and they seem, alas! too often beset on mirth, revelry, and dissipation. In many instances professedly Christian parents look on this sad picture without tears and apparently without sorrow, while in some other cases they smile a tacit approval and seem to be satisfied if they have a good and make a fine appearance. Moreover, as a result, we find Sabbath-breaking, absence from public worship, intemperance, meager contributions to our benevolent interests, and kindred evils prevailing to such an extent as to be absolutely appalling.

The demand of our times seem to be imperative—alike to the aggressive and conservative—"Awake, awake! put on thy strength, O Zion!" We repeat that, in our opinion, the too often successful resistance of the powers of darkness to the church in her efforts to reach and save men, is not that the church as a body has lost her zeal and love for the Master, but largely because of the supineness of some of our people, and that the powers of darkness have taken advance ground and have armed themselves with more effective weapons of resistance. The church then must rise above its present or former measure of spiritual power, and as the skillful general who finds his enemy newly fortified and pursuing improved tactics, increases his resources and strength, and redoubles his efforts putting his foe to flight, so let the church of the living God rise to the emergency in hand, and she shall see more glorious victories and vaster consequences than ever before.

But where shall this work of greater spiritual quickening begin, and when?—for begin it must, if we are to win greater victories. Is there, can there be a better time than *now?* Is there a better place than *this?* Are there those in the church who need it more than the ministers? Was there ever a moment when the fiat of Jehovah, "Be ye clean who bear the vessels of the Lord," was more pertinent than now? Beloved brethren, you have fought many battles. Your fathers have fought on this historic ground before you, and we are in possession of the glorious heritage; but God's enemy and ours flaunts in our faces as ministers of the cross of Christ the proud and scornful boast that his resistance to our efforts is successful; that the tidal-wave of salvation is no longer deluged. It is the old taunt of Sennacherib and his host to Israel. May the spirit of Israel's God enable us to make a new consecration to him and the work of the ministry; to seek a new, all-pervading, powerful baptism of the

Holy Ghost, and from these newly consecrated walls go forth as men of God bent on victory, and rally our people by myriads to the conflict by leading them into a higher spiritual life, and to consequent more glorious triumphs.

Respectfully and most earnestly submitted.

C. BRIGGS.
W. J. PRUNER.
J. W. KILBOURN. } Committee.

Rev. W. A. Shuey, Chairman of Committee on Resolutions, reported. The report was amended and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. That we are devoutly grateful to God for the life and health of our esteemed bishop, Rev. J. J. Glossbrenner, and highly pleased with the able and impartial manner with which he presided over the deliberations of this conference.

2. That we return our thanks to the C., C., C. & I. and the I., B. & W. railroads for the favors granted in issuing return tickets to members and friends of this conference at reduced rates.

3. That we highly appreciate the liberality of our brother, Mr. John Dodds, in assisting so generously in building and improving church-property and in supporting the various interests of the conference and the Church, and trust that the blessing of God may rest upon all his labors.

W. A. SHUEY, Committee.

Revs. Wm. McKee, J. W. Kilbourn, and George M. Mathews were appointed the committee called for in the preceding resolutions, relative to the holding of a Sabbath-school assembly within the bounds of Miami Conference.

D. L. Rike, of Dayton, Ohio, was re-elected a trustee of Otterbein University for a term of six years.

The Board of Managers of the Beneficiary Aid Society was re-appointed.

A collection for conference secretary was taken, amounting to $11.05.

One dollar and ninety-three cents were collected for the conference page.

It was unanimously agreed by the conference that the next annual session be held at Arcanum, Darke County, Ohio.

Conference agreed that the following sums be appropriated to the claimants of beneficiary aid during the coming year:

Mrs. M. M. Fowler	$125
Mrs. J. Fleenor	75
Mrs. Eleanor Coons	80
Mrs. J. M. Marshall	50
Rev. W. G. Wells	25

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the conference minutes be published in pamphlet form, and that the number of copies to be published be left with the secretary; also,

Resolved, That the standing resolutions of conference, with the regulations and action on lay delegation, be carried forward and incorporated in the present minutes.

Rev. George M. Mathews was selected to assist the secretary in collecting said resolutions.

The report of the Stationing Committee was read.

Dayton District.—Wm. McKee, P. E. Dayton First Church, S. A. Mowers; Dayton High-Street, Geo. M. Mathews; Dayton Summit-Street W. C. Day; Dayton Third-Street, to be supplied; Lagonda, S. W. McCorkle; Vandalia, H. J. Mulholland; Piqua, M. S. Bovey; Salem, J. C. Miller West Milton, J. D. Holtzinger; Ithaca, to be supplied; Arcanum, M. R. Bair; Greenvillle, J. H. Sechrist; Mount Zion, S. S. Holden; Union City, W. J. Pruner; Pleasant Hill, D. N. Howe; El Dorado, C. Briggs; Beardshear, J. M. Boltin.

Cincinnati District.—J. W. Kilbourn, P. E. Beavertown, T. F. Bushong. Miami Chapel, George W. Arnold; Oregonia, J. Doughman; Springboro, W. K. Albright; Miamisburg, E. W. Bowers; Germantown, J. L. Swain;

Liberty, C. J. Burkert; Lewisburg, S. W. Keister; New Hope, W. R. Houlton; West Elkton, A. Rodabaugh; Miltonville, Jos. H. Mayne; Millville, to be supplied; New Haven, I. T. Hott; Mount Pleasant, A. Orndorf; Cherry Grove, F. G. Grigsby; Blanchester, T. Huddle.

STATISTICS.

Appointments, 93; organized churches, 91; members at beginning of year, 6,844; received during the year, 919; present number, 7,010; preachers' salaries, $14,954.32; presiding elder's salary, $1,527.92; presents, $1,712.96; preachers' aid, $273.25; collected for missions, $2,464.46; special on debt, $1,140.74; woman's missions, $747.20; Sabbath-schools for missions, $406.23; total for missions from all sources, $4,758.63; bishop's collection, $260.76; Sabbath-school general fund, $166.83; church-expenses, $23,486.77; local Sabbath-school collections, $3,389.27; colleges and seminary, $6,142; church erection, $146.64; edcational beneficiary, $179.86, Bible-cause, $55.89; total for all purposes, $57,270.59; Telescopes, 605; Children's Friends, 3,252; Missionary Visitors, 2,385; For the Little Ones, 1,440; Bible Teachers, 372; Quarterlies, 5,300; parsonages, 8; value of parsonages, $7,600; church-houses, 78¾; value of church-houses, $234,450; Sabbath-schools, 84; number of Sabbath-school scholars, 7,717; officers and teachers, 1,084; conversions in Sabbath-schools, 259.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Missions—H. J. Mulholland.
Church-erection—J. D. Holtzinger.
Publishing Interests—J. L. Swain.
Education—S. W. Keister.
Sabbath-schools—J. H. Mayne.
Observance of the Sabbath—A. Rodabaugh.
State of Religion in Miami Conference—F. G. Grigsby, G. W. Arnold, J. C. Miller.

COURSE OF READING.

First Year—G. M. Mathews, W. J. Pruner, E. W. Bowers.
Second Year—J. W. Krebourn, J. L. Swain, T. F. Bushong.
Third Year—S. W. McCorkle, D. N. Howe, S. A. Mowers.
Licentiates in First Year—John W. Izor, Luke E. Pierce, J. F. Orebaugh.
Licentiates in Second Year—Lucius Willson, Wm. R. Houlton.
Licenciates in Third Year—W. A. Shuey, H. A. Sechrist.

No further business appearing, the minutes up to this point were read and approved.

On motion, conference adjourned without day.

Conference joined in singing, "I need thee every hour," and Bishop Glossbrenner led in prayer.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. J. Shuey.

Rev. E. W. Bowers preached in the conference room on Saturday evening.

SABBATH-SERVICES.

The conference love-feast was conducted by Rev. W. J. Shuey at 9 o'clock A. M. During the time allotted to this service many of the ministry and laity witnessed to the saving and keeping power of Jesus. It was a precious hour.

At 10:30 A. M. Bishop Glossbrenner preached the conference sermon to a large and appreciative audience.

A children's meeting was held at 3:00 P. M., presided over by Wm. H. Berger, superintendent of Lagonda Sabbath-school. Interesting addresses were given by various members of the conference.

Rev. W. J. Pruner, D. D., preached at 7:30 P. M. The closing up of the service was glorious. A marked manifestation of the Spirit's presence and power was there, and under new impulses the servants of Jesus went out to do more and better work for the Master the coming year. May this spiritual wave follow us all to our fields of labor.

The generous hospitality of the people of Lagonda will ever be a pleasant remembrance to the members of conference and visitors in attendance.

C. J. BURKERT, Secretary.

J. J. GLOSSBRENNER, Bishop.

Missionary Contributions.

DAYTON DISTRICT.

First U. B. Church.

Mrs J M Wolf, 50 cents; Ben Marot, Mrs B Marot, each $5; Mrs Ozias, Blanche Marot, Mamie Marot, Mrs J E Artz, each $1; Carrie B Kneisley, 50 cents; W H Johnson, Katie Trybarger, G W Kalter, each 25 cents; Wm Clemmer, $2; Harry G Mouk, John Kalter, each $1; Chas R Winebell, 25 cents; Mrs Brierly, Fred Schlotterbeck, each 50 cents; J H LaRue, $1; Richard Kumler, 50 cents; O L Bouck, $1; S E Kumler, $12; Annie V Zeller, Mary Seitch, each $1; Jas Applegate, $15; John A Shauck, $2; Mrs S E Kumler, W C Slifer, Susie Rike, each $1; D G Auchey, $2; Rev W H Lanthurn and family, $5; Margaret Kemp, Maronica Rerot, each $1; C H Lyon, 50 cents; A B Shauck, Mrs D L Rike, each $5; Fred H Rike, $1; Jerne Weller, A C Eaton, $2; D L Rike, $20; Ella M Harter, $2; Addie C McIntruf, E P McIntruf, C F Linard, each $1; Mrs J M Wolf, 50 cents; Daniel A Boda, $4; Amanda Alloway, 50 cents; Mamie Oblinger, $1; Annie Coghill, 50 cents; Sarah A Dickey, $2; B F Crabbs, 50 cents; C A Appenzellar, $1.50; M B Miller Jos F Fetters, $1; E A Fry $2; Mrs Carrie Bowersox, E W McGowen, R H McDowel, each $1; J R Finch, 25 cents; G W Archor, S E McClure, each $2; Loma Rader, 25 cents; Dr Berger, $10; Hortense Binkard, 25 cents; Mrs A W Gump, $1; Mrs Nancy A Hall, $2; John Dodds, $15; Mrs Dodds, Orion Dodds, each $5; Saxe W Mowers, 50 cents, R Gustin, C Worman, Mrs John Kumler, Mary M Kumler, Mrs W L Blumenchein, each $1; John Kumler, $8; Irrin Kumler, 25 cents; A W Kumler, $2; Rev C Briggs, $2.50; Mrs C Briggs, Mary Briggs, each $1; R J Strickler, $1.50; Cash, 50 cents; Aubie R Mowers, 50 cents; Mrs A Funk, $10; W G Tanner, $2; Mrs Mudge, $1; Chas J Hall, Warren Hall, each $2; C W Kalter, 50 cents; Jacob A Smith, $2; Rev W J Shuey, $12; Lincoln Shuey, $1; M. Dillon, $1.50; G R Kimmel, G W Peters, each 50 cents; Rev D K Flickinger, $15; Mrs G W Peters, $1· Mrs M N Kimmel, 50 cents; M N Kimmel, Mrs G R Kimmel, each $1; W Boda, 50 cents; O O Ozias, $2; Mrs S Emerick, Abia Zeller, each $5; W L Blocher, G W Lemaster, each $2; J L Senseney, $1; J R Hersh, $5; J St J Clarkson, John Gal-

loway, W D Ozias, each $1; J R George, $2; A J Myers, $1; J S Binkard, $2; Adam Stine, O W Binkard, Mrs O W Binkard, L O Miller, Mrs L O Miller, Ezra Miller, each $1; Emmie Stanfield, 50 cents; Rev E S Lorenz, Mrs Lorenz, Susie Shaffer, Nellie Rector, $1; Fred Horne, $5; Cash, $11.50.

High-Street U. B. Church.

Rev W A Shuey, $4; Rev G M Mathews, $2; Alfred Nelson, $1.50; Sallie Bouck, $1.80; Daniel Boone, $1.50; Louis Mehlberth, $1.25; Carrie Grove, Maria Hayferd, Simon Hawker, Chas Richardson, Emma Hummell, Mary Hagerman, Vesta Horner, each $1; Eliza Baker, Mary Miller, Oscar E Markley, Fannie Kirkpatrick, Charles Needham, Julia Stouts, Salome Hawker, G Boda, Jacob Yaus, each 50 cents; Riley Kingery, $1; C A Heinz, 50 cents; Clara Mathews, 70 cents; H Trou, Aaron Snyder, Jennie Brady, Jennie Winchell, Jacob Koontz, Harry W Rohrer, Elbert Yohe, Emily Yohe, Sarah Collins, Sarah Grimes, Hattie Smith, Minnie Rohrer, Barbara Thomas, Thomas Fouts, Milton Mathews, each 25 cents; Ella Heinz, A L Markley, Lulu Matheny, Della Yohe, Laura Smith, each 10 cents.

Summit-Street Church.

J A Gilbert, $5; S L Herr, $3; Isaac Myers, $5; Francis Myers, $1; Harry Myers, Willie Meyers, each 50 cents; Eddie Myers, Eunice Myers, each 25 cents; G W Funkhouser, Susan M Funkhouser, each $3; Freddie A Funkhouser, Charley W Funkhouser, Robbie D Funkhouser, Katharine E Funkhouser, Mrs J L Hoffman, D A Hoffman, each $1; Carrie B Hoffman, 50 cents; Margaret Ragan, $1; A E Davis, Laura B Davis, each 50 cents; Hannah Gilbert, $1; L Davis, J P Landis, each $5; Henry Ricker, Richard Haller, $1; Lizzie Niswonger, 50 cents; Hattie Davidson, 25 cents; Mary Englehart, 50 cents; Lillie R Keister, $10; Sarah Morgan, $1; William Bartles, Christina Hoffman, each 25 cents; Nancy E Harlacher, Maria McHenry, Albert McHenry, each 50 cents; J W Hott, $5; Martha Hott, $2; Ettie R Hott, Loulie Hott, Mattie Hott, each $1; Luretia Edwards, $5; M R Drury, $2; Wm McKee, L A McKee, $1; Willie McKee, 50 cents, Libbie McKee, Ernest McKee, each 25 cents; A W Drury, $5; Sarah Olinger, $1; Cassius B Kumler, 50 cents; Chas Coulthard, $5; George Hoffman, 50 cents; Sophia J Hoffman, 25 cents; Renchlin Wright, Edward C Chamberlain, Sarah A Chamberlain, Julia Fleenor, each 50 cents; J R Hoffman, Annie Hoffman, each $1.50; J K Billheimer, $3; W L Wright, Elijah Landis, Kate Landis, each 50 cents; W C Day, $1. Total, $100.

Beavertown Circuit.

Beavertown Class.--Peter Prugh, Charlotte Prugh, John W Rike, each $5; Wm Ewry, $2; Gerge W Frizzell, Dr S Souders, Kate Protzman, Jonathan Lehman, Lucinda Sourbray, Esther Bridgeman, Jesse Rike, M L Roop, Abram Roop, Allen Love, Eva Rike, Rev Jas McGee, each $1; Micheal Ropp, O P Ewry, Ellie Ewry, Samuel Lehman, Katie Rike, J B Dean, O W Crabbs, Mary J John, Martha Hoblet, Josephine Rudisell, Emma J Ewry, Chas Wilson, Lydia Marshall, John Ewry, each 50 cents; Aron Reel, 35 cents; William M Rike, John P Pierce, Ed Wenner; Emma Ewry, Wilford John, Elmer John, Lottie Dean, Anna Bopp, Laura Bridgeman, Enos Johnson, Lillie Newcom, Minnie Souders, Will Dean, Sallie E Sourbray, Mrs John Ewry, Chas O Ewry, John W Prugh, Berlin Roop, Anna Rudisell, Minnie Fitzpatrick, Jonathan Rudisell, Ollie Link, Cor-

nelia Dean, Lillie Marshall, Anna E Merrick, Lucy B Newcom, each 25 cents; Effa Ewry, Anna Ewry, each 15 cents: Belle Baker, 10 cents; Clyde Ewry, 5 cents; Sabbath-school, $18.08. Total, $61.38.

Aley Class--John Gerlaugh, $2; Susan Hawker, William Engle, Sarah Snider, Elizabeth Moler, Johnson Engle, Elizabeth Engle, John Coblentz, each $1; Newton Coblentz, W W Wolf, Jr, Mahala Coblentz, Mary Williamson, C E Gerlaugh, each 50 cents; George Snider, Elwood Snider, D E Lorenz, W H Iddings, Emma Engle, P E Moler, Lizzie Huffman, Dorie Hawker, Wm Miller, each 25 cents; Emma Moler, 20 cents; Hattie Moler, Mary Iddings, Mattie Iddings, Jennie Iddings, Ellie Friberger, Jennie Hawker, 10 cents; Infant class, $1.18; Sabbath-school, $8.23. Total, $23.96.

Beardshear Class--Elizabeth Beardshear, Elizabeth Ensley, each $5; Wm Turner, $3; Emma Beardshear, Rilla Powell, Hettie Smith, Mollie French, each $1; Matilda Clark, Mollie Parsons, each 50 cents; Ben McCord, Harry French, each 25 cents; Ethel Smith, 10 cents. Total, $18.60. Grand Total, $103.94.

Lagonda Station.

Rev S W McCorkle, M Cushing, Mr and Mrs B F Brubaker, Alex Mickle, W H Berger, each $2; H C Laybourn, Miss Lizzie Reed, Mrs Pettigrew, A Pettigrew, Mrs H Laybourn, John Doughman, J M Laybourn, John Reed, John Tuttle, Chas E Mickle, M Heindel, Phillip Herr, Laura Herr, S Kindelbarger, W B Alexander, Stanley Ledale, D C Lawrence, Wm E Gorden, each $1; Peter Mann, S E Holden, Ellen Zircle, Jas M Bryant, Price Baker, Maggie Mowatt, Mrs Joel Funk, Geo Church, David Funk, A C Hammaker, Mrs Alex Mickle, O M Reed, Frank Wells, Wm Eberle, Mrs Butler, Mrs Lawrence, Miss A Fox, Mrs H Locke, Ester Berger, Miss Lottie Zutavern, Thos Crawford, Wm Nelson, Ether Crawford, T J Fisher, J H Neal, Frank Mickle, each 50 cents; F W Reed, 75 cents; C Thrasher, John H Moore, Minnie C Moore, H M Leatherman, Annie C Gibson, Charley Laybourn, John Wells, Annie Lawrence, Thos E Flickinger, Mrs Santz, Geo Alexander, Wm Graham, Jennie Lawrence, Julia Clark, Clarise Neal, Wm Groves, J M Derickson, Annie Ross, J W Rose, John W Jones, L A Hester, Cash, Mrs Jos Kelly, each 25 cents; Miss F Mann, Callie Fairchild, each 10 cents; C M Butler, 5 cents.

Salem Circuit.

Philipsburg Class.—Susan Worman, $6; David Stoner, $4; S. H. Binkley and Rebecca Stoner, each $3; L. W. John, $2.50; J. W. Howard, W. A. Binkley, A. W. Swartz and Nathaniel Ullery, each $1.50; Warren McNelley, $2; Caroline Tedrow, Elizabeth Binkley, A. R. Turney, William Worman, Newton Binkley, a friend, Eunice Duckwalt, Sarrantha Smith, Julia Worman, David Worman, each $1; Jennie Worman, $1.05; Gracie Swartz, E Johns, H Binkley, H M Worman, E Howard, Mary Worman, M W Tedrow, R E Worman, E F Hook, H A Smith, J H Welsh, Callie Worman, David Flick, Solomon Worman, Christena Lees and Sadie McNelley, each 50 cents; J Arnold, John Lees, Ella Binkley, Marthy Binkley, R E Swartz, C L Swartz, Maggie Welsh, Sallie Welsh, E Falkner and J J Falkner, each 25 cents; H A L J P Tedrow, Maud Spitler, Lenora Ullery and Alice Lees, each 10 cents; E Lutz, 20 cents; Philipsburg Sunday-school, $6.38. Total, $55.13.

Brookville Class.—H. P. Kumler, $10; R. Riley, 8; John Zehring, $6; Henry Mundhenk, $3; M. A. Mundhenk, $2; Mattie Good, $1.25; Andrew Horner, Simon Summers, Aaron Summers and Michael Reed, each $1; H. F. Albert, John Kurk, H. W. Mishler, Mr. Dilman and Flora Connor, each 50 cents; Clara Stover, Clayton Duckwalt, Lizzie Stover, Vina Medford, E Summers, William Campbell, Lizzie S. Eby and Estale Zehring, each 25 cents; Cassie Riley and Mary O'Conel, each 15 cents; Dora Albert, Lizzie Good and Nellie Summers, each 10 cents; Hattie Willson, 5 cents. Total, $39.30.

Arlington Class.—W. C. Niswonger, $3; J. H. Whisler, $3.27; P. Myer, $2.50; Cassie Niswonger, Peter Rasor, Cerilda Niswonger and Lizzie Share, each $2; Joseph Spitler, Sarah Detrich and Leah Miller, each $1.25; John Kaylor, Catherine Miller, Maria Miller, M. A. Rasor, S. P. Share and Frank Share, each $1.50; Harrison Cloppert, D. R. Rinehart, Sam. Hammel, Lizzie Manning and Elizabeth Mishler, each $1; Nettie Share, 75 cents; Lydia Rinehart, Frances Manning, John Hammel, Andrew Stover, Martha Niswonger, Jane Rasor, Mary Kaylor and Mary McAfee, each 50 cents; Ella Niswonger 65 cents; Martha Meyers, 35 cents; Bell Dunkel, George Manning, John Monbeck, Cassie Whisler, Ella Share, Ella Manning, Clara Monbeck, Salome Rasor, Lucinda Weaver, Jennie Harb, Andrew Spitler, and Ed C Poet, each 25 cents; Hattie Whisler, 15 cents; Sam A Whisler, 5 cents; Arlington Sunday-school, $2.33. Total,$ 46.10.

Salem Class.—Noah Swank, $7; F J Olinger, $4; C Troxel $3.50; A Kimmel and Sam Lambert, each $3; J H Kline and J W Florey, each $2; Emma Kimmel, $1.50; Kumler Smith, J J Rogers, John Weaver, Isaac Evans, Sarah Swank, Mrs John Kline, Mrs A Kimmel, C Pumphrey, Altha Hains, John Pumphrey, Mrs C Troxel and Hulda Tise, each $1; Charles H Kline and Robert E Kline, each 75 cents; Mrs E Kline, Charles Rogers, S Zeisert, John Pantley, Anna Kimmel, Hubert N Kline, Wm Rowe, Harrison Kloppert, Wm Smith, John Mohr, Minnie Warner and Carrie Warner, each 50 cents; Harvey Kimmel, Wm Evans, and Francis Landis, each 75 cents; Walter L Kline, 55 cents; L C Herr, 40 cents; Charley Mohr, Minnie Cruea, Elizabeth Saylor, A Troxel, G W Wogman, H D Rinehart Henry L Kimmel, Jesse D Kimmel, Nannie Carl, Tillie Murray, Gurtie Rogers, Ola Kline, Lucy Mohr, Lola Edwards, Ella Florey, W L Troxel, Rebecca Whitmor and James Heck, each 25 cents; Salem Sunday-school $15. Total, $69.05; J C Miller, $10. Grand Total, $219.68.

Piqua Station.

W D Snyder, Catharine Lowell, Addie Mullenix, G T Corsen, J C Mercer, H M Alexander, M W Snyder, $1; M S Bovey, $3; J S Schenck, $1.50; G W Byers, Sr., Emma Malosh, Anna Vandine, 50 cents; Samuel Mercer, 28 cents; Sarah Banning, W S Grimes, Araminta Grimes, Lillian Collins, Fannie Galligan, Ellie Dill, D M Manson, Mary Byers, Joseph Burgous, each 25 cents; Noah Shellenberger, Anna Schenck, each 20 cents; Mary Snyder, 30 cents; Eustacia Mercer, Susan Rodenheber, Margaret Shellenberger, D N Byers, Sarah Snyder, Lidia Manson, John Hager, each 10 cents; Nancy L Hager, Hanna Childs, each 5 cents; Scattering, 20 cents. Total, $19.58. Sunday-school collections: Clara Collins, Eddie Johnson, Clide Johnson, Claudis Livingston, Willie Manson, each $1; Flovilla Snyder, $1.02; Hattie Evans, 50 cents; Bertha Manson, 30 cents; Frankie Manson, 29 cents. Total, $7.11. Grand total, $26.69.

West Milton Mission.

Milton Class.—S S Holden, $2; J K Campbell, Sarah Holden, each $1; Henry Applegate, 50 cents; A B Campbell, 75 cents; A M Campbell, A Lease, Anna Applegate, Flora Applegate, W S Holden, Hattie Holden, each 25 cents; James Antruides, $1; Harvey Boyer, 50 cents. Total, $8.25.

Georgetown Class.—L Ammon, J C Henderson, M C Ammon, each $1; Mollie A Stelbourn, Floyd Stoneman, Charles Stelbourn, Cora A Stelbourn, each 50 cents; E S Galloway, S W Ditmer, Margaret Galloway, A H Tice, each 25 cents; Chailey Ammon, 15 cents; Lillie Tice, Callie Henderson, 10 cents. Total, $6.35.

Ithaca Circuit.

Gordon Cloyd, $25; James Fellers, $20; Elizabeth Fellers, $10; Rebecca Cromwell, W W Cromwell, Peter Fouble, each $5; Wm Townsend, $2; Jesse Brenberger, $3; Rev J Kilbourn, Mary Kilbourn, each $2.50; Letha Rynearson, Isaac Oliver, each $1.50; Elizabeth Odell, $1.24; Rev H Surface, Jesse Binkley, Alice E Wright, Harriet Thomas, Z Creager, B Mader, Elizabeth Fouble, Paul Kaulter, each $1; Elizabeth Brenberger, Rachel Brenberger, each 50 cents; Sallie Fouble, Dorcas Vanlieu, each 25 cents.

Arcanum Station.

Wm Drew, $12; F G Grigsby, $10; Andrew Clark, Patrick Shields, J W Parks, each $8; Rev J W Kilbourn and wife, $5; Daniel Brock, William Francis, Martin Rogers, Allen Gear, D Leady, David Troxil, each $3; John Huffman, Geo Poe, Rev W W Coons, T F Rogers, Wm Folkerth, Henry Fourman, J Grubbs, each $2; J B Mehaffie, Susan Bunnel, Christian Good, Serilda Krans, Wm Neff, Sarah Burk, Wm Cromer, Catharine Culberson, Lidda Drew, Wm H Clark, Mary A Ashly, Catharine Ashley, Amanda Folkerth, E Albright, E Gift, Wm Collins, D H Collins, Frank Reck, A M Marshall, each $1; Marietta Fourman, Manda A Burk, each 50 cents; Hester Oaks, 70 cents; Sabbath-school collection, $11.80; Cash, $2.50. Total, $118.

Oakland Circuit.

Oakland Class.—J W Izor and wife, J Craig and wife, J Klefiker and wife, each $2.50; C Palin, $1.50; Tobe Palin, J Heckman, Sallie Smith, Effie Cline, each $1; J W Hiefner, Samuel Hushey, each 50 cents; J E Hiefner, S Church, Lizzie Hiefner, S Westfall, Nancy Dunn, Maggie Willis, Lucy Pulcurth, Maggie Dumm, Elizabeth Hiefner, each 25 cents; Oakland Sabbath-school, $4.67. Total, $21.17.

Caylor's Chapel.—Wm Wikle, Harvey Vance, each $1; Pegga Strobridge, E Clark, Peter Allbright, each 50 cents; Sabbath-school, $1.60. Total, $5.10.

Coaltown Class.—A J Crawford, Daniel Fall, Elijah Kinworthy, L C Miller, Bro Meerin, each $1; F Worssing, 75 cents; Samuel Landis, S F Wise, Catharine Crawford, each 50 cents; Amand Holsapple, Mary E Brant, Hester H Landis, Elizabeth Miller, Leonie Lock, Sarah Lee, Elizabeth Worsching, Mary E Kinworthy, Mary Kinworthy, Ben Kinworthy, each 25 cents; Coaltown Sabbath-school, $3.50. Total, $13.25. Grand total, $39.52.

El Dorado Circuit.

El Dorado Class.—J L Morrison, W C Randall, each $15; L Wehrly, $6; Henry Ault, Wm Fowble, each $4; S L McCoy, $3; J H Spitler, Lydia J Wehrley, $2 each; Ira McClure, Benj Fouts, Maria Ault, R B Whitesell, Sallie Beard, S Bailey, each $1; John Bunger, 75 cents; John Mills, H Bunger, Eliza McCabe, C Hecker, Mary Harp, Mary C Coblentz, C Fowble, Aug Bonebrake, Sallie Ward, Jacob Beard, each 50 cents; Sarah Ervin, Ida Shumaker, Mary Fowble, Isaac Miller, Mattie Miller, H W Ault 2d, Maria Ault 2d, J Q Juday, each 25 cents; M Murray, 20 cents. Total, $64.95.

Manchester Class.—Asa Leas, $18; Anderson Leas, $13; J W Leas, $7; Sarah Leas, $4; Mrs J H Horn, $2.25; Mrs W Thomas, Wm Wehrley, J Gruver, each $2; D Siler, $1.50; J Miller, $1.25; J Overholser, Mary Siler, E Crossairt, Aaron Bunger, A Wehrley, $1 each; S Martin, Hester A Miller, Maud Siler, each 50 cents; O Kirkpatrick, 35 cents; R Taylor, Z Taylor, Sarah K Wehrley, Chloe Miller, each 25 cents; Ollie O Miller, 10 cents. Total, $60.95.

Otterbein Class.—George T Horine, J Hetzler, each $10; Ezra Hetzler, Henry Hetzler, Mary Hetzler, each $6; S Garrison, $7; Ellen Hetzler, M Coblentz, Sarah Grubbs, each $5; F Hawkey, Julia Hetzler, $3 each; Mary M Price, $2.50; H Coblentz, C Coblentz, Eliza Horine, Mother Horine, each $2; John H Hetzler, $1.75; Martin Miller, $1.50; Mary E Horine, Clara Hetzler, each $1.25; M Price, John Coblentz, Mary C Coblentz, George Coblentz, Wm Coblentz, S Horine, Jas Benson, Jane Miller, D Geeting, John Geeting, Otho Dutro, E Hemp, C Slifer, Ezra Slifer, S Grubbs, Jr, O W Broderick, each $1; H Worch, Lewis Slifer, Salome Slifer, Ezra T Price, Julia Price, Mary Hawkey, Amanda Horine, Eliza Hetzler, each 50 cents; John Benson, Mr Worch, Eliza Worch, Ida Cummings, Annie Miller, Margaret Dutro, each 25 cents. Total, $103.75.

Castine Class.—Geo Fowble, $5; Wm Ault, $1.50; Wm Fowble, Elizabeth Horine, Adol Leas, S Morrison, Nancy Morrison, C Fowble, Rachel Hanniel, Jos Byers, Kerzia Byers, N Kline, S Voris, Nancy Voris, D Ludy, each $1; H Grubbs, 50 cents; Jennie Ault, 30 cents; Sadie Cox, Addie Fowble, Alice Horine, each 25 cents; M Grubbs, 10 cents. Total, $21.15. Grand Total, $250.80.

Mount Zion Circuit.

Water House Chapel.—O E Young, S S Stout, each $1; J P Miller, Ab Spitler, H L Arnold, A Livingston, Minerva Thorn, L Wahl, each 50 cents; G I Bowyer, C Livingston, Mary F Oliver, Barbara Good, Mrs P Spitler, Mary Arnold, D Livingston, M A Spitler, each 25 cents; Mary Hitzler, each 20 cents; J E Beery, Flora Spitler, Wm Frazier, each 15 cents; Mary Spitler, 10 cents; John Reese, 25 cents. Total, $8.

Mount Zion Class.—Peter Weaver, H L Albright, each $5; Geo Weaver, D Albright, R M Dalrimple, each $1; J F Albright, J W Ault, Jane Berry, Lucinda Parent, each 50 cents; D Huddle, Ellen Huddle, L Cunningham, each 25 cents. Total, $15.75.

Pleasant Grove Class.—Elias Ross, E Ross, C Wanger, F Houpt, each $1; Sol Frank, S Frank, Eliza Ross, Maggie Snell, E Gronendike, each 50 cents; John Crick, David Harter, Dellie Harter, Homer Wanger, P D Gronendike, Josie Gronendike, D Coapstick, each 25 cents; V Gronendike, 10 cents. Total, $8.35.

Hill Grove Class.—Elizabeth Longnecker, $1; Sister Morrison, Sarah Wilson, Lizzie Freedline, Annie Lambert, John Freedline, each 50 cents; John Mong, Floyd Mong, J N Morrison, Amos Cook, Mary Farrer, each 25 cents. Total, $4.75.

Union City Mission-Station.

G A Lambert, $10; Wm Wolf, Joanna Higgins, Rev S W Keister, Lucy Bohn, each $4; G W Spencer, A Hahn, each $3; Dora Lambert, $5; J J Alexander, Jas Norris, Mary N Keister, Frances Williams, Wm Olinger, A O Bohn, Lydia Hahn, Julia Breedlove, John Conk, Mary J Olinger, John Dill, F H Bohn, Wm Alexander, each $2; H W Vining, S H Dunn, S H Breedlove, each $1.50; J A Mackey, Olive French, each, $1.25; John Judy, $1.10; Wm Vankirk, Jos Alexander, Olive Jenkins, Angie Barrett, Mary P Fouts, F G Cromer, S H Bailey, Jas Shannon, Anna Lambert, Sallie Wolford, Rosa Vining, Martha Spencer, Rosanna Waymire, Julia Couk, James E Snartzel, J T Shaw, H Fey, Gracie Thurston, Sallie Thurston, O B Couk, each $1; Louisa Vankirk, J W Lambert, Mary J Wolf, Lewis Strock, Chas Worrels, Ruth Sinks, Ora Leal, Bertie Higgins, Lessie Higgins, Mary Rector, Sarah Burton, Lizzie Kemp, Catharine Bailey, Wm C Shepherd, Richard Shank, Minnie Hilliard, Secretary Y M C A, John Balser, Lucy Mackey, Leota Spencer, Mariah Marsh, Ulysses Couk, Clifton Couk, Thomas Barrett, Hattie Dwinell, Minnie Shannon, John Crabbs, Harvey Zumbrum, each 50 cents; J H Wade, Blanche Crabbs, each 10 cents; Dora Surface, 30 cents; B Leitz, S Sipes, Jememiah Shepherd, Christina Warren, Martha Converse, Ella Long, Catharine Keller, Lucinda Bolen, Phillip Wolf, Sylvester Warren, Katie Shepherd, W H Shepherd, Mr. Sinks, Mattie Warren, E Woods, L H Keister, Anna Spencer, Emma Spencer, Hattie Nease, Earl Breedlove, Jennie Folger, J A Hoover, Lizzie Woodberry, Wm Oakey, Earl Bohn, each 25 cents. Sabbath-school: Frank Lambert, $5; George O Wunder, Samuel Lambert, Eddie Todd, G A Lambert, each $1; Alvin Wolford, Earl F Bohn, each $1.02; Zoa Teal, Leota Spencer, each $1.05; Earl Breedlove, $1.15; J W Lambert, S C Keller, Frank Clark, Thomas Barrett, each 50 cents; Martha McGrew, $1; Jas Norris, Geo Hartman, Lizzie Olinger, each 75 cents; Lewis Strock, 60 cents; H W Vining, J Hoover, F Lippencott, Emily F Wunder, Georgia Wunder, Chas Harris, J A Hanlin, David Stone, F Cory, J G Leas, Nelson Eastman, D Burkert, Sadie Hillard, each 25 cents; Jacob Drill, Minnie Hillard, Ella Bohn, each 20 cents; W H Shepherd, A A Hoover, J Kemp, each 15 cents, Wm Wolford, Rosa Odel, each 12 cents; John Dill, J T Shaw, Rosanna Waymire, J B Cumins, A C Burns, Rosa Vining, Frank Worth, Lewis Powers, Mary Drill, each 10 cents; Belle Cunningham, 11 cents; W C Shepherd, Harvey Zumbrum, Owen Burns, Mira Armstrong, Anna Snooks, Joanna Higgins, Jeminah Shepherd, Mary Standt, Ida Zumbrum, Callie Oslagea, Adda Eckerle, John Odel, Oliver Sharrits, Maggie Judy, May Judy, Josie Straiter, each 5 cents; Oliver Anderson, Ida Balser, Allie Balser, Letta Kurtz, each 6 cents; Nellie Long, 35 cents; collection, $7 87. Total, $146.80.

Miami Chapel.

E W Bowers, Charles Staley, J D Rider, J R Harlacher, Joseph Richley, Frederick Shoop, each $5; Henry Wagner, $3; Martin Haller, H M Hager, Joseph Nicholas, J A Smith, each $2; Rachel Wagner, Joseph Kuntz, Kate Rider, A C Nicholas, John Recker, Mary A Stuck, Harriet Reasor, M L Routjahn, George O Keller, Paul Wilt, A Swank, Geo Rider, Mary Puterbaugh, George Nicholas, Eva Shoop, Wm Bitner, each $1; Francie Haines,

John Michael, Mary A Roop, Barbara Zimmerman, Samuel Beckner, Mary Sigle, Charles Richley, Jacob Highland, Mary Rinehart, Becca Friend, Ella Haines, Carrie Reasor, Mrs Kittie Brame, each $1; Mrs Millhuff, Ellen Miller, Emma Keller, Manda Hizer, each 25 cents. Total, $63. Sabbath-school, $10.84; cash, $2.66. Grand total, $76.50.

Vandalia Circuit.

Vandalia Congregation.—H H Cassel, M J Cassel, M C Miller, Elizabeth Miller, Richard Sunderland, C Ebey, Geo Shoup, M Coover, M C Miller, Jas Sunderland, each $5; Sarah Dodson, $6; Stephen Dodson, $7; Vandalia Sunday-school collection, $7.52; Rebecca Anderson, Sella Coover, each $4; J I Anderson, Nancy Sunderland, each $3; J Wenger, Wm Wells, J R Limbert, Andrew Brintlinger, Lizzie Roberts, each $2; J Cullers, M C Bennet, each $1.50; J P Nine, P J North, John Trupp, H D Boulware, W J Mills, Geneva Mills, Eve Coover, Geo Fowell, Ettie Wells, D J Brandenburg, Rhoda Brandenburg, Nancy Wells, A V Jordan, Laura Jordan, E O Rankin, Hannah Walters, Daniel Teter, Rosanna Teter, each $1; J Edgar Sunderland, Sherman Sunderland, Maggie Sunderland, Effie Sunderland, Almira Ebey, Clara Ebey, Ezra Merrick, John Dagenhart, Jos Walters, Wm Sunderland, Emma Trupp, Anna Trupp, E Surrel, A F Brandenburg, Susan North, Maggie Blason, Mary Sunderland, Hannah Coffman, David Coffman, Anna Coover, Fidelia Coover, A J Coover, M V Coover, Henry Booher, Ann E Brintlinger, Laura Brintlinger, Ella Snyder, Henrietta Snyder, Conrad Snyder, Henry Snyder, Nancy Ann Snyder, Laura Teter, Orion Teter, each 50 cents; Harris Hutchins, David Lipman, H F Bassett, Harry Wells, Henry Coover, Sarah Bennet, Mary A Linkard, Lucinda Young, Rose Keplinger, Mary E Sunderland, Elizabeth Booher, Peray Snyder, Ameal Altamer, each 25 cents; Joseph Cromer, 20 cents. Total, $140.27.

Holden Chapel Class.—H H Bond, Mariah Grimes, each $6; Mrs B Wilson, $10; F P Grimes, $4; B F Stoner, S B Rohrer, Christian Rohrer, each $3; M A Rubel, Wm Clemmer, Eliza Clemmer, each $2; S C Grimes, W Scinell, John C Powell, S B Rohrer, Mrs Christian Rohrer, John Rohrer, D Barkman, Mrs D Barkman, Nathan Roberts, Albert Powell, each $1; H A Roof, Frank Bond, Floyd Grimes, F M Warner, M Jechelberger, Sam Strausburg, Laura Sluttman, Lou Stoner, Mrs G W Hardin, Jacob Martz, David McConcha, Daniel Zedaker, Jacob Zedaker, Michael Roof, Belle Roof, John Finley, Eliza Finley, Lizzie Kneisle, Maggie Kneisley, Jennie Houk, each 50 cents; Ella Neff, J W George, Esther Powell, Margaret Brenner, Kate Brenner, Daniel Slanker, John Schaeffer, Willie Sunell, W I Schaeffer, Julia A Zedaker, Martha Zedaker, Mary Zedaker, Mahala Zedaker, each 25 cents; Sabbath-school collection, $2.50; Mrs Isaiah Wilson, $2.26. Total, $72.25.

Ginghamsburg Class.—John Ehrhart, $1.50; Lizzie Karnes, R M Evans, M J Evans, each $1; Oscar Karns, Sarah Champlin, Maggie Keller, M Gray, G W Wells, M Eidamiller, Mary J Merrick, each 50 cents; Ella Keller, Sarah Jacobs, Charles Gray, John O'Brien, F Keller, each 25 cents; John Keys, 75 cents; Sarilda Oaks, 10 cents. Total, $140.22. Grand total, $222.57.

CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Lewisburg Circuit.

Lewisburg Class.—Frank Aikman, $3; A Swartzel, A E May, each $1; Solomon Singer, Z T Stevenson, Miss Hattie May, Mrs Daniel May, Mrs Mary Slauterbec, S F Coons, Elias Ayers, Mrs Ann Kumbler, each $1; J A Kumbler, $2; Mrs Hattie McAfrew, 75 cents; Dan Patterson, Mrs Etta Patterson, Mrs Lizzie Emeus, Mrs Ellen Cox, E M Day, Mrs Ella Day, Loida Aydlott, Mrs Amanda Aikman, Ida Aikman, Mrs Rilla McShery, Mrs Mattie Broughman, Mrs Shively, Mrs Eliza Demotte, Mrs William Horn, Miss Jane Shively, Miss Sallie Shively, each 25 cents; J A Cox, Mrs Kate Swartzel, Mrs A Swartzel, Mrs Rachel Stevenson, Miss May Stevenson, Mrs Wm Shively, each 50 cents; James Dodrick, $1; Mrs Savilla De Motte, $5; Mrs John Broughman, 10 cents; Sabbath-school, $5. Total, $35.25.

Antoic Class.—D McNello, Adam Harman, each $3; Allen Burgert, Henry Shank, each $2; A Burkert, $1.50; G Weidman, David Burgert, Sr, John Clayton, Miss Lizzie Shank, Miss Della Shank, Mrs Susan Shank, Mrs Adam Harman, Ben Weaver, J Alleman, each $1; C L McNella, J L Stoner, Howard Weaver, each 10 cents; Arthur Weaver, 5 cents; C McNella, 15 cents; Mrs Eliza Clayton, Mrs Dora Steely, Mrs D Burgert, Mrs G Weidman, Wm Wilson, H Leopold, each 50 cents; Mrs Wilson, Mrs D McNella, John McNella, each 25 cents; Antioc Sunday-school, $5.90. Total, $33.90.

Pyrmont Class.—Mrs Pollie King, Miss Cox, Rebecca Mills, Mary J Mundhenk, Wm Utz, each 50 cents; A N Cox, Amanda Cox, A E Singer, Christ Gentner, Isaac Utz, each 25 cents; Wm Mills, $1; Mundhenk estate, $5. Total, $9.75.

Walkers Chapel.—Mark Homan, $1; Miss Francis Price, 75 cents; Simon Bruner, 50 cents; John Beam, Aikman Hapner, each 25 cents. Total, $2.75.

Miamisburg Circuit.

Austin Gebhart, $2; G W Arnold, A L Arnold, Flora E Arnold, William Winters, Beckie Nye, Amelia Shultz, Ellis Long, Aaron Line, L J Kline, J T Derr, Mary E Crist, and William Walters, each $1; Blanche Line, $1.50; Sadie Smally, $1.30; Doda Funk, $1.25; Charley Kline, $1.29; Johnie Kline, $1.11; Guy Kennard, $1; Elizabeth Smally and Debbie O'Eden, each 50 cents; Harry W Arnold and P J Gibson, each 25 cents; Lee Stiger, 20 cents; Lizzie Kline, 15 cents; Wm Gibson and John Gibson, each 25 cents; Chas Gibson, 20 cents. Grand total, $25.

Springborough Mission.

S. Huddle and E L Huddle, each $2.40; E D Griffith and W M Crane, each $2; Grafton Bell, Ose Merritt, and George Fox, each $1.25; Kate Fox, Sallie Bell, and T E Bell, each $1.50; S A Bell, Martha Bell, Cyntha Antrum, Jennie Griffith, Arthur Easton, Henry Bunnel, Sarah Crane, Susie White, W M Brown, Laura Sheets, Luenda Willis, and David Monger, each $1; M C Morton, 75 cents; Martha Mullen, Sarah Easton, Jas Meritt, Amelia Sydam, Ella Linehan, J C Miltenberger, G W Monger, David Fox, Robert Phillips, S H Sheets, Bethual Hanes, Mary Miltenberger, Lydia

Bunnel, Mary Maloy, Geba Monger, Mary E Bayers, M Monger, R W Unglesbe, M Babbett, Wilson Unglesbe, J H Monger, S M Wilcott, and Horace Babbett, each 50 cents; Jennie Trion and Ellen Fox, each 25 cents; Mina Crane, Ida Crane, Sarah J Githens, Howard Bloss, Rachel Hanes, Wesly Fry, Nany Fry, Bethual Hanes, J Wallas, Henry Bean, Eva Crockett, Bell Miltenberger, N Decker, Harry Unglesbe, John Sheets, and J B Jones, each 25 cents; Maggie Antrum, Phebe Morton, Willie Sydam, Nanna Antrum, Josie Sheets, Dellie Keisling, Cora Hayner, and Emma Hayner, each 10 cents. Total, $47.

Germantown Circuit.

Germantown Class.—J W Shank, $15; Ezra Kemp, O M Oblinger, and Sarah Gilbert, each $10; Maria Shank, J A Shank, S F Shank, and W D Emrick, each $5; Martin Coffman, $6; Samuel Keister, $4; Jacob Michael, $3; Philip Hemp and Michael Thomas, each $4; Michael Hetzler, $3.50; Lydia Zehring, Noah Myers, and Thomas Bailey, each $3; John Mathias, $3.40; Lefever Long, $3; D P Emerich, Louisa Brown, and Wm Miller, each $2; Asher Carney, Maggie Grubs, Mary Foutz, and G W Bear, each $1.50; Mary Antrim, Michael Slife, and Isaiah Swartzel, $1; Isac Swartzel, $1.50; Rev W J Pruner, Mrs W J Pruner, Sarah Davis, Charles Foutz, Leah Hoffman, George Swartzel, Lewis Hetzler, John Foutz, Francis Bartner, Mollie Endress, Ann Bailey, Ida Cosler, and Maria Shank, each $1; Ella Dill, Julia Pfalsecroft, and Kate Shaffer, each 75 cents; Charles Gunckel, D P Swartzel, and Mittie Boughner, each 50 cents; Valentine Cotterman and Mary Cotterman, each 75 cents; Manda Cotterman, Manda Reed, Leah Swartzel, Amanda Spring, Lib Huber, Philip Taylor, M Marker, and Elizabeth Slife, each 50 cents; Carrie Barnhart, Joshua Stonebraker, Mary A Stonebraker, and Samuel Loughlin, each 25 cents; Wilbur Zehring, 50 cents; Mrs J L Swain, $1. Total, $146.15.

Union Chapel Class.—John Carney, $10; Charles Heitz, $8; Walter Carney, $6.50; Daniel Carney and Frederick Thomas, each $5; Samuel Cox, Lewis Hoffman, and F M Laughlin, each $4; Elizabeth Thomas, $3; Catherine Carney, Samuel Keister, and Samuel Post, each $2; Anna Post, Jane Carney, Abraham Judy, Rev D Myers, Kate Myers, and Francis Zimmerman, each $1; John Carney, Jr, Levi Bell, B Eby, and John Keister, each 50 cents; William Root, Albertis Keister, Orban Myers, Sallie Carney, Ann Cox, Callie Carney, Lizzie Carney, Anna Norris, Charles Myers, and Emma Zimmerman, each 25 cents; Alice Zimmerman, 15 cents; Anna Zimmerman, 10 cents; Caroline Carney, $1; Cash, $1.07; Union Chapel Sunday school special for Africa, $9.93. Total, $78.25. Grand total, $224.40.

Liberty Circuit.

Twin Creek Class.—Oliver F Gilbert, $14; Cyrus H. Gilbert and family, $14; Amos and Mollie Zehring, $15; Levi Zehring, $8; Solomon Friedline, $7; Joshua Michael, $9; Savina Michael, $2; Joseph H Mayne, Sr, $5; Mary A Mayne, $2.50; Susan Zeller, $4; Abraham Harp, $6; George P Michael, $4; Wm Byers, Leonard Sharritt, Mollie Zeller, George W Zeller and Aaron Zeller, each $2; Ed Friedline and Jacob Silknitter, each 75 cents; Allen Wheatley and Henry Silknitter, each 50 cents; A Sharritt and Wm Smith, eacg 25 cents; Lizzie Banks, 50 cents; Thomas Lightcap, 25 cents; Charles Gilbert, 50 cents; Charles Smith, 30 cents.

Farmersville Class.—Susan Crider, $2.75; Sarah Swartzel, $8; Henry Cotterman, $5; Frank Reigel, and John Reel, each $4; Catharine Coler, $3; Elizabeth Rohrer $2; Abraham King, Lune Denise, and Katie Davis, each

$1; Anna King, 75 cents; Lizzie Aheher and Henry Poffenberger, each 50 cents; Rachael Poffenberger, 25 cents; Mary Foy, 50 cents; Magdalene Ade and Anna Ade, each 10 cents; Thad Reese, 50 cents; Anna Moyer, 45 cents.

Twin Creek Sunday-school for Africa.

Mollie Zehring's class, $8.29.
Clara Silknitter's class, $5.84.
Henry Fulse's class, $4.
Mary Friedline's class, $3.06.
Mary Zeller's class, $2.53.
Solomon Freedline's class, $1.13.
Allen Wheatley's class, 99 cents.
Emma Sharrett's class, 47 cents.
Joshua Michael's class, 59 cents.
David Cotterman's class, 6 cents.

Johnsville Class.—Sophia Zehring, $8; Rev. Aaron Zehring and Sallie Zehring, each $2; John Reigle, $4; Samuel Shank, $2.50; Samuel Young, $2; Michael Flory, $1.50; Wm Lamsdale, $2; John S Young and Elias Zehring, each $1.50; Simon Rohrer, $1; Charlie Weaver, 75 cents; Wm Kepler, $1; Charlie Zehring, 50 cents; Willie Zehring and Lizzie Zehring, each 25 cents; Thomas Bouser, 75 cents; Susie Young, Isaac N Kepler, Harriet Rohrer, A J Kiger, Sophia Gawvey, Mollie Flory, Mother Zehring, Julia Minderman, and Altha Kepler Piatt, each 50 cents; William Reigle, 25 cents.

Liberty Class.—Henry Crauder, $3; Addie Crauder, $1; Enos Michael, $3; Solomon Gusler, $2; Eli Eberly and Geo Young, each $1; Laura Nicholas, 50 cents.

West Elkton Class.

Brown's Run Class.—Barbara Judy, $2; John Presbaugh, Susie Slifer, Henry Bear ,Rhoda Bear, Jennie Cline and Sarah Judy, each $1; Anna E Hetzler, 75 cents; Mary Leisner, Harry Judy, Mary A Leaser, Katie Judy, Mary A Judy, and Lizzie Poffenberger, each 50 cents; Alice Poffenberger and Hattie Swihart, each 25 cents. Total, $12.25.

Greenbush Class—Mary A Judy, Elizabeth Judy, Samuel Judy, and George Hanger, each $5; Lettie Judy, Ella Gifford, and Charles Judy, each $1; Emma Geeding, 50 cents; Laura Hamilton and Laura Eslinger, each 25 cents. Total, $24.

West Elkton Class.—Ira Stubbs, $2; Lydia Maddock and A Vantrump, each $1; Lydia Randall, Sarah Goodwin, Lizzie Jordan, Thomas Taylor, John Gardner, and D L Weinland, each 50 cents; Ella Weinland, Ada Holaday, Mary Vantrump, Maggie Holaday, and Mary Weinland, each 25 cents; Lora Weinland, 10 cents. Total, $8.35

Low Chapel Class.—Lizzie Low, $2; Anna Reeve, Martha Reeve, Mary A Reeve, Samuel Reeve, John Reeve, Lurton Reeve, Catharine Phares, Sarah Dodge, Wm Brown, Joseph Reeve, John Q Pottenger, Jane Pottenger, Anna Kelly, and Moses Reeve, each $1; Nancy Bolman, Margaret Reeve, Tamson Vanskiver, Adeline Brown, Fred Baker, Sallie Reeve, Levi Reeve, Joseph Vanskiver, Jane Sherer, Lizzie Gardner, John Reeve, Moses Reeve, Wm Vanskiver, Sam Reeve, Levi Reeve, and Lizzie Low,

each 50 cents; Fred Baker, John Dodge, Jos Reeve, J Q Pottenger, Wm Gaardner, A J Culler, Sallie Reeve, Jane Pottenger, Nancy Bolman, Anna Reeve, Mary Reeve, and Ellen Reeve, each 50 cents. Mrs. A. Rodabaugh, $4.40. Total, $24.40; grand total, $70.00.

New Hope Circuit.

New Hope Class.—Jacob Cline, Marcus N Surface, Jacob L Surface, Henry Ashinger, Wm O Bonebrake, and John Melling, each $1; D A Sherer, 75 cents; Roseana Sherer, Alice C Surface, Elizabeth Bonebrake, Jacob Sherer, George Bumbraugh, Lucinda Kramer, Austin Morse, and Kate Kramer, each 50 cents; Catherine Griffith, Linnie Lincoln, Emma Hauk, Lurana Kline, Delilah Sherer, M C Toby, Anna E Kepler, Mary Morrow, Edward Ashinger, Eli Stamback, Minnie Harshman, Jane Morse, Denver Brown, David Kurtz, and Susan Melling, each 25 cents; Anna Morse, 10 cents. Total, $14.60.

Edwards Chapel Class.—L B Plummer, Marcus Deem, Elsie Fosdick, Nannie Daily, and Sarah Deem, each $1; Daniel Deem and Elizabeth Pofinbarger, each 50 cents; Jane Smalley, Mary Chrisman, Julia Chrisman, Jennie Wall, Lydia A Benner, Charles Fosdick, and Emma Cline, each 25 cents; Martha Fosdick, 15 cents.

Lexington Class.—Harrison Swartz, $2.25; E D Kiger, $1.75; Ezra Smith, $1.50; George Smith, Isaac Wehrly, and William Sigler, each $1; Sarah Smith and Ida Swartz, each 50 cents; Eliza Sigler, 20 cents.

Winchester Class.—Lavanda Johnson, Barbara Haas, and Fannie Pierce, each $1; Sarah Banta, 50 cents; Benjamine Hornaday, $1; Ebenezer Yingling, 50 cents.

State Road Class.—Wm H Miller, $10; Alice Moyer, $1; A L Haupt, M A Miller, Mary Dull, Kate Bear, Alice Urich, C W Shimp, Ira Cline, and Elizabeth Lantis, each 25 cents.

New Hope Class.—W O Bonebrake, $1; Susana Melling, 55 cents; John Melligg, Henry Ashinger, J L Surface, Alice C Surface, and Jacob Cline, each 50 cents; D A Sherer, Marcus N Surface, M C Toby, and Edward Ashinger, each 25 cents; Emma Hauk and Lurana Cline, each 15 cents; Delilah Sherer and Catherine Griffith, each 10 cents.

Edwards Chapel Class.—Mack Fosdick and L B Plummer, each 50 cents; Nannie Daily, 25 cents.

Lexington Class.—George Smith, $1; Harrison Swartz, 75 cents; E D Kiger, 60 cents; Sarah C Smith, 50 cents; Sarah Smith and William Sigler, each 25 cents.

Winchester Class.—Lavanda Johnson, Barbara Haas, and Fannie Pierce, each 25 cents.

State Road Chapel Class.—Nelson Cline, Ira Cline, C W Shimp, and David Longman, each 50 cents; J N Clarke and M Goss, each 25 cents; Alice Moyer, 12 cents; J L Smith, J W Smith, D E Roof, and L Flinchbach, each 10 cents; K W Foute, 3 cents; L A Longman, 3 cents.

Pleasant Hill Circuit.

Pleasant Hill Class.—A H Coblentz, $2; I M Elliott, 50 cents; C. Nossett, 25 cents; Robert Penland, $1; J Roades, 5 cents; Mollie Trucks, Maggie Reid, and Lizzie Pendand, each 25 cents; Delia Hahn, 50 cents; Stella Reid, 25 cents; M A Hahn, Nancy Brown, and Sarah McClure, each $1; Martha Reid, $5; John Coblentz, $3; Peter Coblentz and Michael Reid, each $2; Elma Baker, 25 cents. Total, $20.55.

Friendship Class.—John Coblentz, 50 cents; Stephen Fowble and George Morrison, each $1; M J Bradrick, $2; James Enbank, 30 cents; John McClure, 15 cents; Rebecca McClure, 50 cents; Sam'l McClure, $1; Agnes Enbank, 50 cents; J. V. Thomas, $2. Total, $8.95.

Yankeetown Class.—Julia A Thomas, $7; W H Brinley, $1. Total, $8.

New Madison Class.—Sue Brinley, $1. Total, $1.

Calvary Class.—Geo Hittle and J W Ashbaugh, each $1; Aaron Enbank, Wm Hileman, and Henry Fillers, each 50 cents; Chas Reigel and Lidia Hileman, each 25 cents. Total, $4.

New Paris Class.—H O Hutton, and Ann Hutton, each $5; Sam'l Frank, $2; Carrie Keese, Ollie Lamb, and Jennie Hutton, each 25 cents. Total, $12.75. Grand Total, $55.25.

H O Hutton, $2; Peter Coblentz, 50 cents; A Coblentz, 25 cents; Lewis Coblentz, 50 cents; M A Hahn, 25 cents; Sarah McClure, $1; Calvin Nossett, 50 cents; S E Nossett, 25 cents; S C Baker, 50 cents; B T Gardner, 25 cents; John Newborn, 30 cents; Martha Reid, $3; Pat Reid, 25 cents; Joseph Hahn, 50 cents; Nathan Hahn, 25 cents; Mrs E H Caylor, $1; Julia A Thomas, $3; M J Bradrick and J V Thomas, each $2; Geo Morrison, Stephen Fowble, and W H Brinley, each, 50 cents; Geo Hittle, J M Jordan, and J W Ashbaugh, each $1; Aaron Enbank, 50 cents; Chas Keigle, 25 cents; Lewis Harder and Wm Hileman, each 50 cents. Total, $24.55.

Miltonville Circuit.

Miltonville Class.—Joseph H Mayne, $10; Ida B Mayne, $1.05; C S Clark and Charles Eckert, each $1; Matilda Good, $10; Keturah Eckert and Augustus Eckert, each $1; T C Eckert and J H Clay, each 25 cents; Lizzie McCracken, 50 cents; Eliza McCracken, 25 cents; John Good, $1; Joseph Ercher, 50 cents; N. H. Good, $1.50; Solomon Thomas, 50 cents; Wm Johns, 25 cents; Daniel Myers, $1.

Jacksonborough Class.—Henry J. Kumler, $5; Mary Kumler, $2; Sarah A Thomas and Joseph P Corey, each $1; Miss Cora Martin, $1.30; Joseph Kumler, $5; E J Kumler and Belle Kumler, each $1; Susie Johns and Wm Keister, each 50 cents; C M Breitenbecher, Geo Breitenbecher, Catharine Breitenbecher, Wm Breitenbaker, and Christena Breitenbaker, each $1; H E Reiner, $1.25; Thomas Kerns, $1; Simon Bailey, 25 cents; N Good, 50 cents; Alphens Johns and Annie Breitenbecher, each $1.

Pleasant Ridge Class.—Kate Emerick, $5; Garret Williamson, T C Eck, and Mary K Eck, each $1; Levi Eck, $11; Emma Eck, $9; Ella Eck, $1; Cornelius Eck, 50 cents; Geo Yost and wife, $5; Andrew Yost, $1; Mary Wagner, 25 cents; S V Eck and Julia Williamson, each 50 cents; Elijah Marsh, $1; Clarence Childs and Ezra Hinkle, each 50 cents.

Seven Mile Class.—John Walter, $5; O P. Morris, Lizzie Hagan, Lizzie K Miller, and Mary Zingling, each $1; Wm Kumler, $2; Myra Baird, $1; Hannah Flickinger, $5; S P Withrow and Charlotte Withrow, each, $1· Ed Flickinger, 50 cents; A Yingling, A D Kumler, and J K Flickinger, each $1.

Millville Circuit.

I K Morris, Mike Kumler, Jake Kumler, D D Beal, each $5; James Clayton, E L Edens, Chas Trine, each $1; Clara Morris, 50 cents; Lee B Morris, Jos Morris, Curt Guigen, F Reams, Silas Hathaway, Jane Hathaway, Cora Hathaway, Lula Cooper, each 25 cents; public collection, $1.25. Total, $26.75.

New Haven Circuit.

New Haven Class.—Wm Coulthard, Mary Coulthard, Wm Scott, Elizabeth Scott, each $2; Taylor Hawk, Mary Hawk, Emma Coulthard, Joseph McHenry, Rachel McHenry, Elizabeth Pottinger, David Pottinger, Lizzie Bevis, Lowry Wakefield, Frank Milholland, Sam Coulthard, Thos Wright, Lewis Hawk, each $1; Elmore Agnew, Alice Agnew, A Fuhrman, Anna Simerson, Walter Hawk, Anna Dill, Geo Hawk, John Stephenson, Wm Starlin, Jr, each 50 cents; Pearley Hawk, 35 cents; Sarah Coulthard, Geo Kemp, each 30 cents; Mira Scott, Bertha Scott, Annie Scott, Mary Dean, Robert Blackburn, Z T Whipple, Alfred Passmore, Wm McClure, Martha McClure, Edith Freeman, Carrie Freeman, Nettie Myers, Lizzie Muskopf, Dan Muskopf, Elias Passmore, Henry Spohr, Joseph Bevis, each 25 cents; Clifford Pickens, 20 cents; Lucien Hawk, Azalia Scott, Joab Whipple, each 15 cents; William Bozman, Cyrus Pickens, Barney McClure, each 10 cents. Total, $31.65.

Otwell Class.—H Watkins, J Mortished, A J Scott, Jane Scott, Hezekiah Hollowell, Mahlon Stokes, each $1; Thomas Stokes, Elizabeth Stokes, Eugene Hiatt, Lucinda Otto, Ella Stone, Julia A Hollowell, Mort Hollowell, Joseph Hollowell, each 50 cents; George Stokes, Salina Stokes, M E Summerfield, Edward Stokes, Jenny Stokes, Edward Benton, Mark Hollowell, J M Daniels, Edward Stone, Henry Stokes, Elmina Stokes, Margaret Stone, William Stokes, Mattie Stokes, Mamie Hiatt, each 25 cents; Henderson Scott, 15 cents; Wm Clemm, Iven De Armond, Maggie Van Glangen, Silas Worig, Olive Scott, each 10 cents; Maggie Summerfield, Lovie Stone, Emma Wing, each 5 cents. Total, $13.55.

Baltimore Class.—Lewis Wabnitz; Thomas Pottinger, each $5; Dr Fitzpatrick, $2; Mrs L Wabnitz, John Wilson, Eliza Van Sickle, each $1; Lewis Raich, Fred Johnson, Jacob Schraden, Elizabeth Starlin, Maggie Arnold, each 50 cents; Dan Starlin, John Wright, Augustus Johnson, David Agnew, Martin Schrader, T L Pottinger, Sarah Wilson, Lottie Willey, Amelia Willey, Mrs George Seigle, each 25 cents; Rachel Schraden, Lizzie Seigle, each 15 cents; William Norman, Francis Pottinger, each 10 cents; Anna Schraden, 5 cents; Sabbath-school, $6 75. Total, $27.30. Grand total, $72.50. New Haven class, $12; Otwell class, $7.55; Baltimore class, $10.45. Total, $30.

Mt. Pleasant Circuit.

Edward Hearen, $2; Jacob Lagely, Emanuel Lagely, Theodore Lagely, David Vanblaricum, M M Hayes, B B McGee, Josephine Springmore, Rev Cristopher Flinchbaugh, and Jacob Yaney, each $1; John Miller, McKiney, Henry Hague, Ada A Mook, Mary Lagely, Sarah Hearen, and Mother Hague, each 50 cents; Charles McGee, W. Flinchbaugh, and W Springmyer, each 25 cents.

Bevis Class.—Minerva Willey, $10; David Bevis, $5; G Bosserman, Nellie Bevis, Fresher Bevis, John Giffin, Mary Carter, and Sarah Jones, each $1; C B Bosserman, Mrs Dr More, and Jennie Scott, each 50 cents; Alice Carter, Ettie Carter, Loulie Sater, and Annie B Sater, each 5 aents.

Mt. Pleasant Class.—William Law, J W Reed, John Kissick, and D D Charles, each $1; Kate Milligan, L W Clocky, Susan Domm, and J L Klingworth, each 50 cents; Ollie Law, Jessie Law, James Hoffner, and Ellie Domm, each, 25 cents.

Bethel Class.—Benjamin Davis and James Jimison, each $1; Falitha Corson, Margaret Werts, and A J Willey, each 50 cents; Sarepta Johnson, John Jackson, and William Johnson, each 25 cents.

Georgetown Class.—L Burns and William Bevington, each $1; E L Clark, Cassie Clark, Robert Ervin, Eliza Dungin, and Mary Struble, each 50 cents; Mary Bruen, Martha Struble, and George W Ent, each 25 cents; Mary A Ervin, 15 cents.

Cherry Grove Circuit.

Cherry Grove Class.—Mrs Shildon's Sabbath-school class, Rev A J Markley, each $10; G Z Van Sann, Jennie Ebersole, each $5; C P Bennett, F Reed, each $4; G W Powell, $3; A Fagan, John Hawkins, each $2; Clara Bennett, John Hesse, each $1.50; Ida Hibben, Gideon Bennett, Henry Johnson, Wood Fagan, Sarah Fagan, Cinda Sheldon, Emma Van Sann, Owen Bennett, Frank Van Sann, Nancy Bennett, Joseph Markley, Elsie Van Sann, Isabella Reed, O E Hawkins, Isaiah Johnson, G W Bennett, Mollie Hawkins, each $1; Dr Bennett, Thomas Bennett, Kate Hopper, Mattie Fagan, Kate Henderson, Malinda Markley, Addie Cook, Ann Bennett, M B Hammer, each 50 cents; Mattie Van Sann, Rosa Monjar, W Van Gunda, Mrs W Van Gunda, L R Mulholland, Virgil Mulholland, each 25 cents.

Five Mile Class.—S W Markley, $20; W R Ayer, $10; Mrs W R Ayer, Charles Mathews, H Markey, each $5; P F McQuain, $3; R M Ayer, Geo Markley, each $2; Elizabeth McQuain, Joseph Jackson, Etta Jackson, Comfort Prickel, John Mathews, O D Markley, J S Kennath, Jennie Kennath, James Mathews, Lina Mathews, each $1; Leslie Clark, Geo Straus, Estella Girard, Clara Ayer, Lina Ayer, Ann Hawkins, Alta Markley, each 50 cents; Wm Gafferey, Wm Ayer, R Ayer, Steve Markley, Maggie Markley, Nellie Ayer, Barbara Sipsey, each 25 cents.

Pleasant Valley Class.—J M Behymer, S W McLean, each $2; Julia Latham, J E Parvin, Wm Froy, Bennett John, each $1; Laura John, Alvina Knab, Hulda John, Lydia Hesse, Dan Durham, Ezra John, Benf Becket, each 50 cents; Jane Troy, Ada Parvin, A Gaskin, Jasper Becket, each 25 cents.

Mount Summit Class.—A J Banks, $2; L R Banks, John Lowry, John Morrison, each $1; Joseph Mathews, John Clemens, J Miller, Wm Maddux, Frank Maddux, Mrs J L Shipherd, Mrs John Maddux, Sallie Banks, G F Swain, each 50 cents; Samuel Mathews, Mrs John Clemens, Mrs Joseph Mathews, Jessie Shepherd, Emma Silver, Julia Holms, J A Mathews, each 25 cents; Emma Johns, 20 cents; A Friend, $2.05.

Blanchester Circuit.

Second Creek Class.—J R Williams, $1.50; Bell Glenn, Jos Whittaker, J Baker, F K Losh, W R Houlton, each $1; Oliver White, E W Goodman, A A Shilds, C P Losh, J Tullis, J W Stevens, B Campbell, Bell Henry, Faney Losh, J Holsted, J Chatman, each 50 cents; R D Shelds, $1; R Whittaker, Lizzie Whittaker, C Campbell, H Campbell, H L Hugell, Ida White, L Whittaker, B E Campbell, M L Campbell, A T Craig, M Shelds, each 25 cents; P Tullis, Luly Campbell, each 10 cents; F M Tullis, E Smith, each 15 cents; Lafayette Hugel, P Tullis, N A Shelds, Mary Spinks, each 25 cents; A James, 30 cents; Mission, $14.12; on debt $30.13.

Clinton Valley Class.—R D Shelds, $1; D Bley, W Foster, each 50 cents; M Ward, E Whittaker, each 25 cents; E Smith, 50 cents; Delly Baley, 15 cents; for Missions, $1.35; debt, $2. Total, $3.35

Moors Fork Class.—F Whiteneck, J Pricket, N Hogget, A Bennet, J Bennet, each $1; P Conover, J Groves, J Marshal, J Cremer, J K Conover, J Turner, R C Cremer, J Brann, S Bennet, A Garrison, B Shockey, each 25 cents; James Palmer, 65 cents; M Grisel, J Hutching, each 10 cents; cash, $3.05; Missions, $9.67; debt, $2; Total, $11.67.

Bloom Rose Class.—Missouri Iriton, James Bunyan, Sarah Balser, each $1; John Orr, J Waits, B F Stured, each 50 cents; N M Balser, T Cadling, W S Stured, C Smith, A Shilling, W B Creager, T. Forker, C Watt, R J McDana, E Balser, R. Waites, Nellie Pullin, B Sweat, each 50 cents; cash, $6.81; Missions, $11.93; debt, $2.88. Total, $14.81; grand total $45.08.

Pleasant Ridge Class.—Thomas O'Brian, $1; William Evins, 50 cents; William I Long, Milford C Binkley, Frank Biggs, Noah Hocraft, Mary E Conover, Mary Ingle, Milly Ingle, Iretta Ingle, Iretta Ingle, each 25 cents; Bro Glenn, $3.75.

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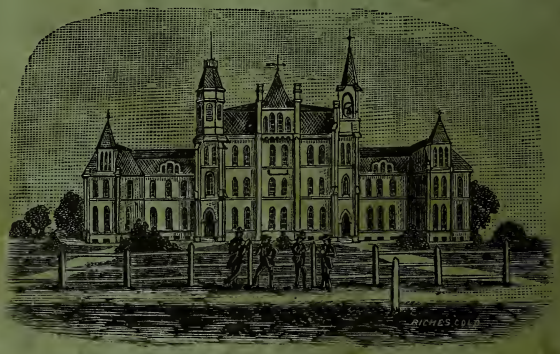

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